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**ALTHOUGH I AM ONLY LEVEL 1,
BUT WITH THIS UNIQUE SKILL,
I AM THE STRONGEST**

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- SYNOPSIS -

Satou Ryouta who died from overworking at a black company was reincarnated to another world. Although Ryouta was alive, he is now burdened with the inconvenience that his level is fixed to 1 in this new world.

Although he wasn't able to raise his level, he had a unique skill that can create a cheat-like item that shouldn't exist in the world from a monster.

He got to know about his status and MAX them with the help of ability-up items. He gathered a number of weapons and items that can only be used by himself, allowing him to be level 1 but yet, having the strongest equipment.

[PROLOGUE ARC]

CHAPTER 1

A MAN APPEARED FROM A SLIME'S DROP

Dyurin!

A light and cute sound effect can be heard.

The sound effect that was played in my head sounded like it could've came from a game. Even though it rang clearly in my head, I can't seem to open my eyes at all. This feeling is similar to when I'm sleeping and I don't feel like getting out of my futon because it's 2 degrees outside.

Muni, Muni muni~

I can feel that someone has gotten hold of my cheeks. The feeling is like a tiny and soft fingertip, the fingers are either a child or a girl's finger.

"Is this... a human? But it came out as a drop... Oh I see, maybe it's a human-like meat! Let's try separating it!"

"Wait just a minute!"

I immediately drag myself to wake up after hearing a rather dangerous line. What came to sight was a girl.

To be more specific there is a tiny looking girl crouching in front of me. She looks to be around 130 centimeters tall and her arms and feet looks slippery. Her weight seems light enough to be carried around easily. Nevertheless, there seems to be a huge hammer laying beside of her. The huge hammer could easily pass my height and would seem to be around 2 meters long.

Although her appearance is of a child, but for some reason I can sense her being womanly. Such an unbalanced glamour. Looking at such figure made my eyes wide open.

"Wah, you scared me! Wait, are you sure you're human?"

“No matter how you look at it, I am a full fledged human !”

“Although you’re a human, but how come you became a drop from the slime?”

“Haa? Slime? Drop?” I said while wondering what the heck is she talking about.

What came out of this tiny girl’s talked was obviously something that can only be from a game.

What’s more, the person she was talking about was me. The thing she said about me being a loot drop from a slime sounded like I’m in a game. Don’t tell me, she is one of THOSE? Where someone can’t differentiate between game and reality?

“That’s right nano~ The drop from the slime was you. Ah, wait that’s incorrect. You are the drop of a rare slime.”

“...Are you sure you didn’t hit your head or something?”

“Why are you looking at me like that as though you’re looking at someone pitiful?”

“Well that’s because... People who say things like slime or drop in real life is...”

“...You really don’t know a thing?”

“...What are you saying?”

I got a feeling she is staring straight at me while having a fearful look in her eyes.

Eh? What kind of expression is that? It seems as though I am the one that should be pitied.

Hahaha, these kinds of things are plain stupid but--,

-It, is not eh?

“Seriously, what do you mean?”

“Etto..... Ah, just as I was thinking, something is coming. Please look right there.”

The girl then proceeded to carry the 2 meter long hammer with relative ease. At first I

thought it was because the hammer was made out of paper that it was light but--, I realised that I was so wrong about it.

I confirmed my realization after having looked at my surroundings closely for the first time. I am currently in a dimly lit place where the surrounding is made of bricks and on some places, there are walls that glow slightly dimmer.

I came to a conclusion that we are in some kind of underground right now.

At the corner end of the underground, a round object suddenly appeared. It is about the size of a cushion seat, and it has a green transparent colour.

While moving towards us, its shape was changing every time it moves.

“...A slime?” I questioned as I’ve suddenly remembered the words of that girl. The rounded, shapeless, jelly like with a half-transparent figure, and a living creature is currently moving towards our direction.

This is exactly the same as those slimes that I’ve seen only in games. Why slimes though? Whose horror house of a leisure land is this?

As I was wondering about it, the slime suddenly came flying towards us. It came bouncing all over the walls, ceiling, and floor like a super ball, heading towards the girl.

“It’s dangerous!”

Without thinking I screamed, but the girl did not move an inch. The slime then came flying from the side of the girl and hit her body, but that only staggered her a little. Even though I was beside her, the image looked like a primary school girl being hit by a soccer ball with great impact.

Although she was staggered, it looked as though she’s fine.

“Isn’t that a weapon ! Why won’t you fight using it then?”

“It’s okay nano~”

The slime turned around and came flying towards her again, this time straight in front of her. As though she was waiting for this moment, she strike down with her hammer.

Dokon!

With the momentum of the hammer swinging downwards, the ground shook and— it landed a perfect swing on the slime.

When she lifted up her hammer, the slime was obliterated. It even left an imprint on the floor. The defeated slime then slowly became thinner as though it's disappearing.

Afterwards, it vanished completely.

Sprouts are appearing on the ground!

“Wait, why bean sprouts!?”

“Well, the slimes on the first floor of Teruru Dungeon drops bean sprouts. Isn’t this common sense nano?”

“That ain’t common sense you know!”

What’s happening? Seriously, what the hell is happening? After killing a slime in a dungeon, they drop bean sprouts.

I am really confused.

I was so confused that I want to write it down on Twitter this instant.



“Have you finally calm down?”

“A, aa... Thanks, the bean soup was delicious.”

I thanked the girl who is currently stirring the bean soup on a fire. The bean sprout was from the item drop just now.

“Etto..... What is your name?”

“My name is Emily. How about you?”

“My name is Satou Ryouta. For now, it’s nice to meetcha.”

“Harou..... Yoda?”

“My name isn’t some kind of Hot Line name okay! It’s Satou, Satou Ryouta!”

As such, I slowly repeated my name.

“I’m sorry, this is the first time I’m hearing this type of name...”

“.....Hey, isn’t this Japan?”

“Nihon?”

“This is earth right?”

“Hourly wage?”

.....

This is bad, an alarm sound is impatiently ringing in my head. Our conversation isn’t going anywhere, it’s fatally going nowhere.

Since the time when I met her and she started saying things about the slimes and the drop of a bean sprout, I’ve got a really bad feeling about this.

“...This bean sprout, that slime... did it appear out of nowhere from that slime’s drop?”

“That’s right nano~”

“Can a bean sprout really appear out of thin air?”

“Are you saying about the bean sprout..... All of it comes from them.? ”

“All of it?”

“Everything that comes from this world are usually drop by monsters in dungeons though...”

Emily gave a troubled expression as though saying Isn’t this common sense?

“Literally everything?”

“Yeap.”

“How much as in everything though?”

“Everything as in everything...”

As Emily showed an even troubling expression towards me.

I see, this is one of those questions where it's common sense to know about it, but it's difficult to explain when being asked. This is similar to my Clients—This happened to me too when I am explaining something to my clients and they don't seem to get it.

Things would be even more problematic if this goes on so, I should lend a helping hand for her.

“Not just bean sprouts but vegetables too?”

“Yes.”

“Meat too? Beef or pork or even lamb?”

“Yeap.”

“How about materials then? Or even gems?”

“I've heard that at the lowest floor of Teruru, rare monster's would occasionally drop some pearls.”

“...Something like air or water isn't counted as a drop right?”

“That's right?”

Emily answered while tilting her head like a small kitten.

While she was tilting, she was looking at another slime approaching. Emily stood up while holding her hammer and went to the direction of the slime. From her earlier attack, she used it again and hit the slime and “Boom!” it was obliterated.

This time though, no bean sprouts appeared. Instead, a “Shyun~” sound could be heard from the dead slime and the slime vanished. While having a satisfied look on

her face, she came back to her spot.

“Like so nano~”

“Like what...”

“Long time ago, they used to have drops from them but recent research shows that even though a drop was supposed to appear but only air or water came out. That’s the reason... uhm...”

Emily carefully chooses her words.

“Every item in this world comes from the dungeon’s drops. Okay?”

.....Oi oi, are you being serious.



For a moment, I turned away from Emily. During that moment, I try reorganizing these information in my head.

My name is Satou Ryouta. Starting from today, I should’ve been jobless.

Today I was overworking again and have fainted again. After being discharge from the hospital, the first news that came to me was me being fired from the company. Though this isn’t important at the moment.

What’s important is, being in a place like this with no common sense whatsoever.

Speaking of place... World?

Judging from the information that Emily said just now, there are dungeons spread around this world. Every item can be obtained from defeating monsters living in those dungeons. Those items are obtained from drops.

If that’s the case then how about agriculture and fishermen? I asked.

“This IS agriculture nano?”

She said as if it was an obvious answer.

In other words, when killing slimes and getting bean sprouts from their drop— that is how you produce agriculture in this world?

Are you kidding me... How does that even work?

The further I try to think, the more I don't understand, what's more I am having a severe headache from thinking too much. I'll give up since I won't understand it even if I think harder.

Then, I realised something.

"Hey Emily, even though you have defeated a lot of slimes, won't you defeat other monsters?"

"That's because the first floor of Teruru consist of only slimes."

"Since you've mentioned that there's a first floor. That means there's a second floor? Won't you head there than?"

"That's because I'm weak."

Emily answered in a swift while naturally smiling as if it's normal.

"Though you don't look like it."

"It's because I'm not well equipped. If a slightly stronger opponent were to directly hit me, I might be done for."

"Aa, is it something like even if you have the strength but you don't have the speed for it."

Emily nodded.

I see, it's those kinds of type eh, that's gotta be a pain.

"But bean sprouts are delicious and it makes my tummy full too. What's more, I would have days where I am lucky with my drops and I can sell them for money."

"Can't you train to be stronger?"

“If I can gain another 2 more level, then I might be able to tackle the second floor~”

“Level, there’s level too eh.”

“It exists you know. Aa, just in time, this is it~”

Emily stood up and faced the other direction.

Afterwards, something like a bulletin board appeared on the wall of the dungeon.

“This is?”

“It’s called a **Know-it-all Board**. If I do this...”

As she raised her hand, the bulletin board like thing suddenly popped out a bunch of floating words.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 3/40

HP B

MP F

Strength C

Endurance E

Intelligence F

Mentality F

Speed F

Dexterity F

Luck E

“This is?”

“This is my status nanodesu~”

“This looks exactly like a game.....”

I muttered while looking at it.

Seems like Emily is one of those typical Power Type character eh.

“Just by doing so you can check your Status. It may not seem like it but, Teruru Dungeon is a fairly important place. So, being able to check it anytime even in the dungeon is pretty amazing. Since using it in town will cost you 100 Piro.”

“It feels as though I’ve received free information service from an NPC.”

“Is this just the first page? Is there a second page then?”

“Yeap, there is~”

Emily then operated the bulletin board—**Know-It-All Board** that she just described.

As such, it turned to the next page.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation E

Animal F

Mineral F

Magic F

Special item F

“This is my drop rate nano~”

“Drop rate..... What happens if it becomes a higher level?”

“If it becomes higher than the drops would be easier to obtained, and also the amount would also increase. Currently, my highest is vegetation because Teruru always has them~”

“I see.”

Even though Emily said that her vegetation is of a high level, it isn’t really that high though. There are 5 of them, and only one is E, the rest are all F. Well it is better than the rest, wait, only the level is shown though.

“You wanna try it too, Yoda-san?”

“It’s Ryouta. Can I touch it?”

“No problem~”

As per how Emily activated hers, I did the same thing and touched the Know-It-All Board.

As I was touching it, the same status-like thing appeared.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 1/1

HP F

MP F

Strength F

Endurance F

Intelligence F

Mentality F

Speed F

Dexterity F

Luck F

...Oi!

What is this, what the hell is this!

“Yoda-san, your ability is weak...”

“Such a disappointingly low level. What’s more my level..... the highest is level 1 and so I can’t level up at all?”

“I guess this can happen too~”

“Oi oi...”

Isn’t this horrible?

“In the end it’s only this. I am an idiot for getting my hopes high.”

“It’s gonna be painful looking at my drop rate too.”

While sighing, Emily helped operate the status by pressing the next page.

So that's how it is, my drop rate is low too.

...Haih.

I really have nothing good at all eh.

My level is also maxed out, and my ability is also that low. I basically have nothing good then.

“Etto... A B C D E F...”

Emily said while counting her fingers. Oh it's like that isn't it, it's lower than F eh.

“.....After Q is, R, then S... , this is it~ Wow that's super low~”

“Eh?”

My brain then wrote a “Wait”.

Something's not right with what she just said.

As I looked up while feeling down, I looked at the Know-It-All Board.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation S

Animal S

Mineral S

Magic S

Special item S

The second page shows a ridiculous number

CHAPTER 2

THE BEGINNING OF A NEW LIFE

“If it’s that low, I don’t think you can ever get any drop.”

“Wait, wait a minute, is S really that low?”

“Eh? Doesn’t it start from A B C D...”

Emily counted again from the start using her fingers.

It’s certainly true that if you go by the sequence of the alphabets, S would be almost at the end of the alphabet and might be even worse.

But, since the day I was born till now, the games that I’ve played during my generation is giving me a different impression of it.

S is clearly higher than A.

To double confirm, I looked at the board again.

---- 2 / 2 ----

Vegetation S
Animal S
Mineral S
Magic S
Special item S

Is this good, or it’s actually quite bad?

But I’ve got a feeling that it’s the best.

Having all S is rather high spec, I can’t think of any words to say but to admit that I am now a cheat-like character.

Though, Emily thinks it’s bad.

I wonder which one is true.

“Let’s try it.”

I looked around my surroundings. If I were to confirm the drop rate, I would first need to find a monster... a slime and defeat it.

But in order to achieve that, I first need some sort of weapon.

Even though I know it’s futile, I seriously searched around the vicinity to find for any weapons but, something like a weapon can’t be found that easily right?

Even a stick would be fine.....

“What are you searching around for?”

“I’m trying to find a weapon to defeat the slime because I want to confirm whether the drop rate S is really as you said, the lowest.”

“Then, wanna use mine?” she said as she swung the hammer straight towards me.

“Catch!”

The force of the hammer dropping almost made me fall down too...

I tried lifting the hammer up from the ground.

I bend my waist, and clenched my teeth.

Even though I used all my strength, it didn’t even budge at all.

“100 Kilo isn’t something to be carried lightly you know !”

“S, sorry !”

As Emily apologized to me, she took the hammer back with one fell swoop—using one hand too! I trembled while thinking so.

Although on the outer appearance, she seems to be a cute 130 centimeter girl, but when she lifted up a hammer with over a hundred kilo, what’s more with one hand.

Not to mention she used that while spinning too!

After watching something like THAT, my spine froze, while cold sweats are dripping from my back.

“Then, is something like this better?”

As if not realizing my frightened expression, Emily took out a green stick from inside her bag.

Wait, looking at it closely, it doesn't look like a stick. While standing still, the tip of the stick is sharpened. It's a bamboo spear.

While receiving it— I'm scared to receive it but, surprisingly it's just a regular bamboo.

The weight is just right and the thickness is also just nice to grip it on my hands.

“If it's this then there's no problem.”

“A slime has appeared~”

Emily explained the position of the slime.

Inside the underground—I mean the cave, a slime has appeared since the start.

Pon, Pon, Pon.

While bouncing like a gum ball, it is heading to my direction.

I hold the bamboo spear in position.

Those who attack first wins. While thinking so the slime came flying towards me.

I lowered my back and positioned the bamboo spear in a horizontal direction and push it out as hard as I can.

It seems the bamboo spear has penetrated the slime after hearing a “Tsuburi” sound.

A strange feeling is being conveyed through my hands right now.

The slime who was pierced at the center of its body stopped moving.

Afterwards, it melted from the bamboo spear and fell onto the ground.

Then, the dead body vanished and—bean sprouts dropped.

Just like something you'd see from a supermarket, it's an estimate of two kilo worth of bean sprouts !

"Awe, awesome! This is the first time I've seen this much drop from a monster."

"I remember you said that if a drop rate is high then the item would also increase right?"

"That's right ! The rate and the amount, both will increase."

"How long will it take for Emily to get this amount?"

"Etto....."

A slime appeared from the opposite side.

Emily took her hammer, and positioned it towards the slime.

While enduring the blow of the slime, she waited for the right moment, and whack the slime with her hammer.

Endure it, then attack.

This was Emily's fighting style from the very moment I've met her.



After the slime has vanished from her blow, more bean sprouts appeared.

This time it's something like when you're shopping, and there's a limited time sale where bean sprouts are 30 Yen a bag, becomes to 10 Yen per bag. This was the amount that was being dropped.

Looking at it closely, the gap seems to be 1/10th the amount I had.

“Something like this~”

“That means mine is more. Have you experienced something like this before, Emily?”

“Nope. This kind of drop, even if I were to hunt in Teruru’s first floor for about two years, it would be impossible to get this amount, not even once.”

“I understand..... So that settles it then. That S is higher than A.”

“Why is it that S is higher than A though? It’s weird.”

“You know, it’s that kind of thing~”

To be honest, I do not understand why either.

Even though I don’t know, but it is a fact that S is better than A.

Now that I think about it, besides S there are SS or SSS too.

“...Emily, have you seen anyone with S stats?”

“Nope~ Never even heard of it once. Since A being the best is common sense.”

“I see.....”

Even though I have no proof for now, I think no one has SS or SSS.

Drop rate all S.

For just a moment, I was sweating cold sweat while thinking that how I have to live my life in hell everyday while knowing that I cannot be strong.

But with this, then it’s no problem.

And after relaxing, I became hungry.

Gyurururu— My stomach rang throughout the cave as I was hungry.

Emily glanced at me, it is kind of embarrassing when a girl is in front of me.

“Shall we have a meal then~”

As she smiled at me. It's as if looking at a mother's smile when saying.



At the usual spot, we light up a fire and on top of it is a pot with water in it being boiled.

“Even in this cave, there's water.”

There are puddles of water nearby.

“If nothing drops from a monster then—For example, if the slime did not drop a bean sprout, then in return, it will drop air and water.”

“Aa, now that you've mention it, you said that before.”

“And inside the cave, plenty of it is stored.”

“I see~”

While the water was boiling, Emily skillfully started cooking.

Next, she puts a bunch of bean sprouts into the pot that was dropped by the slimes. She then took out some garlic chives from her bag and tear it to a mouthful size and boil it in another pot.

After waiting for both pots to boil for another 10 seconds, she took off the pot. Then, she use some chili oil and some seasoning as dressing and mix it all together.

Even though she skillfully made the dish, but it seems that some steps were omitted.

Well, since there's no kitchen in a dungeon, this in itself is fine too, I suppose.

“Here you go~”

As I was being served with bean sprouts, I took a spoonful and put it into my mouth—Delish!

This crunchy feeling coming from the bean sprouts, what's more, the slight spiciness

coming from the chili oil.

The freshness coming from the sweet and spicy taste really matches together.

“This, this can really go well with some sake~”

“Is that so?”

“You don’t drink?”

“Yeap~”

“I see...”

I then enjoyably munch on the bean sprouts.

Something this delicious, no matter how much there is I can eat it.

During that moment, Emily went ahead and cook a different dish.

She used the huge amount of bean sprouts that we collected and turned it into bean soup.

With the steam rising up, a red and green colour with the white bean sprouts can be seen in it making it a delightful meal.

“Please have this too~”

After receiving it, I drank it in one gulp.

With the taste of the bean sprouts, and the warmness of the soup, this certainly recovers and warmed up my body.

Even my heart is..... in bliss.

While thinking so... tears starting flowing out.

“E, Eehhhh! Wh, what happened Yoda-san? You’re crying..... Was it not to your liking?”

“No, it’s not like that.” I said while wiping my tears with my hand.

“It’s just that it’s been a really long time since I’ve had such warm and delicious food with someone else.”

Recently... I’ve been eating alone.

When working at a service company day in and day out, I can only eat food bought from the convenience store during my 5 minute break.

Before damaging my body till I have to be sent to the hospital, those were the days I was living in.

While slurping on the bean soup, it certainly is delicious.

“Thank—”

Before I could offer my thanks, suddenly, something has covered my vision completely.

Though it’s warm, and soft.

I have no idea what’s going on right now.

“Yoda-san.”

Emily’s voice was heard from above my head. I finally realized that I am being hugged by a girl for the first time.

Being hugged by a 130 centimeter tall girl.

“Previously, I’ve heard of this before in church. That is if someone were to work hard then they will be rewarded. Even if they are fast or slow, people who work hard will surely be rewarded.”

“That is—”

“But that isn’t the case.”

Emily was now gently patting my head.

“Even though you don’t get your reward even if you worked hard, but if you wait long enough, a bigger reward will surely come. The most amazing reward is those who get

to be reborn again and be rewarded for it.”

“.....”

“I know that Yoda-san has been working hard, I understand. Thus I’m sure that you will be rewarded afterwards.”

Emily whispered to me with a gentle tone as though a mother would do to her son.



After finishing our meal... I was being calmed down.

I mumbled so.

“By the way, is it now Noon? Or is it Night?”

“I think it’s already night. This should be our third meal, so it’s dinner”

“Then shouldn’t we find a place to stay for the night?”

“If that’s what you’re worrying than don’t worry as after immediately leaving the dungeon, there are inns all over town that we can search for.”

“Is that so...”

While being taught various things by Emily, I sense that she stop moving...

“Are you going to fight more monsters?”

“No, it’s time for me to sleep too.”

“Sleep? You aren’t going back home?”

“I am currently living in the dungeon. Since the drop is low, It is hard to earn a living. My dream is to someday rent my own apartment~”

Emily said naturally.

This is— Something similar to a homestay then?

It's probably close to that.

Now that I think about it, she was carrying a lot of things like pots and seasoning.

At first I thought she was carrying this for camping but.....

“...I see.”

After concluding so, I stood up.

“Yoda-san, please take this with you.”

“The bamboo spear..... It it alright?”

“Yes, since not having a weapon is dangerous~” Emily gently smiled.

I'm becoming more and more touched by her gentle and kindness thought that it's starting to hurt my chest.

“I understand, I'll borrow it for now. I will return it afterwards.”

“Okay~ I will always be on the first floor of Teruru if you need me~”

“Okay~” I nodded as I make my way outside of the dungeon.



After gaining bare minimum information in town, I decided to exchange the bean sprouts that I've collected for cash.

This is the first thing I've learned.

First off, this world's currency is named Piro. The value is similar to Japan's Yen.

The bag of bean sprouts that I sold was only 200 Piro, one night on the cheapest inn is 2000 Piro, and a full bowl of ramen is 500 Piro.

With some slight adjustments here and there, I assumed that 1 Yen is = to 1 Piro

After confirming that, I've also confirmed the price of things I want to get, and head

back to the dungeon once again.

Teruru Dungeon, First Floor

There, I searched for slimes and defeated them.

After defeating them, bean sprouts dropped.

Then, I bring it back to town and sold it, and again went back and defeated another slime.

When I'm tired, I would rest on the spot.

Even though the dungeon floor is hard, but it's the same as when I'm sleeping on my desk when I was working back then, thus I didn't mind it at all.

And so, the cycle of rest and work has begun.

First day's earning, 5123 Piro.

Second day's earning, 4970 Piro.

Third day's earning, since I got a lot of drops thus I got 10210 Piro.

After working hard straight for 3 days with only an hours worth of rest each day. I finally reached my goal.

After enduring, I finally gotten 20000 Piro(Yen).

If it's this much—.



A town that holds roughly a few tens of thousands of people with 5 dungeon in it, Shikuro.

The outside of that Shikuro, there being built was a 87-year-old apartment.

That is the place I brought Emily too.

“This is?”

“I rented it. 3 days worth of earning.”

“In 3 days ! You’re amazing Yoda-san”

“And because it’s old therefore there’s no rent deposit. This is the limit of 3 days.”

“But this is amazing. How much was it?”

“Per month is 20000 Piro.”

“20000, that’s amazing in itself~”

Emily said as she quickly went inside the room.

This isn’t something to be flattered about because I can only get a 87 Year Old livable place with a monthly rent of 20000 Piro.

But still, Emily looked around the home with envy.

Alright, this should be fine, as I thought.

“So, here’s the key.”

“Okay..... Wait, why did you hand me the key?”

“Starting today, this is the place you are living.”

“Who’s home?”

“Yours~”

“...Eeehhhh”

“Of course, for next months and the following month’s rent, I will be paying for it. So rest assure~”

“Th, you can’t do this. This much is---”

“This is as thanks for the soup~”

“—”

While holding her breath, Emily could not believe what she just heard.

“That soup has lots of flavours in it... It was also very warm.”

“...”

“So this is my thanks for it. Even though it’s not really a suitable home, but since you wanted a place to live.”

“...I understand.” Emily said while nodding slowly and looking at me.

I was relieved and satisfied.

As thanks for the soup, this should do.

“Well then, I have things to do~”

As I was walking outside the door.

My clothes were caught, and I was forced to stop.

“Emily-?”

“Your hands..... they are full of blisters.”

“Eh? Ah I’m sorry. I guess it’s due to me borrowing your bamboo spear and using it too often, I will wash it before giving it back to you.”

“You have dark circles beneath your eyes...”

“They’re still there? Haha, the marks will disappear after a while so don’t worry about it.”

Even though I stay up late all night but it will eventually disappear, what a mystery.

“.....”

“Emily-?”

Why is she quiet all of a sudden?

As I was thinking so, she straightforwardly told me.

“I'll make soup for you.”

“I see, then one bowl please—”

“I make it for you forever, please drink it together with me.”

“Eh?—Th, that means.”

Without realizing, she was holding my hands.

It's the same as that time— Her motherly eyes are mercifully looking at me.

I sort of guess what she wants to say.

Are you sure? As I thought.

“Ne.”

While giving a gentle smile, she nodded and caught hold of me.

And like that, Emily and I are— Going to live together from now on.

CHAPTER 3

THE WALL BETWEEN S RANK AND A RANK

The following day, after diving into Teruru Dungeon's first floor, he brought back many bean sprouts to Shikuro's town and is now bringing it over to the owner who has been taking care of him since the first day.

Today's loot seems to be a huge success too.

Seeing that everything on this world comes from the drops of the monsters in the dungeon.

Even my previous world's primary industries—Raw materials are a must to produce materials. Thus, many adventurers would dive into the dungeon and sell their loots just like what I'm doing right now.

After all, most towns are built relatively close to a dungeon, adventures would usually gather around towns to sell their loots.

That is the reason why the shops have had great success. Now that I think about it, it's quite a fun scene and system to look at.

As I was thinking so, I searched for a counter that is empty.

Speak of the devil, a group just finished selling their loot and are now leaving, thus leaving the counter empty.

As I was heading to that counter, since I've been selling my stuff there many times, the familiar looking face that is in charge of that counter, Elza, is currently smiling while greeting me.

“Welcome~ Another big catch today eh~”

“Quite a few. Then I leave the rest to you.”

“Okay, please wait for a moment. Etto, Satou • Youta-san”

“It’s Ryouta.”

“Aah, I am terribly sorry. Since Ryouta-san’s name is different from the rest, it’s a bit difficult to pronounce it~”

“I’m sorry then.”

“No no, it’s my fault for mispronouncing it too~”

Elza stuck her tongue out, while showing a mischievous face, is currently in the process of counting and confirming the contents in the bag that I placed at the counter.

After confirming the weight, she begin counting.

“Okay, uhmm... all in all is 1967 Piro, but since Ryouta-san is always bringing such huge loot to me every time, I’ll total it up to 2000 Piro for you as service~~”

“Thank you. But as expected, having to sell bean sprouts isn’t going to produce lot’s of cash.”

As I was thinking about it, the hourly wage of diving into the dungeon is about 1000 Piro.

Since the currency is similar to yen, I don’t know whether this is a good thing, or a bad thing.

...Well, even if I keep this up every month for approximately 100 hours, I would’ve gone to heaven by then.

“Should I head to Chrome’s Second floor then? What kind of things are there at the second floor?”

“The monsters are Sleepy Slimes. Their drops are carrots and, the usual water and air.”

“Carrots eh...”

As such I imagine the scenario playing out in my head.

After defeating the slimes, the slime goes poof~, and carrots are dropped.

This is too surreal.

Though it's surreal, this is this world's "**Logic**".

"Then how about exploring other dungeons? Even though it's at the first floor, you might earn some good income from it rather than always heading to Teruru?"

"Other dungeons as in?"

"For example, Silicon or, Arsenic, etc... ~"

"Such hilarious names."

"Really?" Elza answered as she tilt her head to the side.

Well, the tenant that is currently living with me would also think so too right.

"Ah but, recently, there are some new dungeons that are being born and their names are quite hard to pronounce."

"Born? Wait, dungeons can be born just like that?"

"Yeap, from time to time they would appear?" Elza said as she tilt her head again while acting confused as though it's "Obvious, you know"

"What kind of name are they?"

"Etto, Nipo—wait that's not right, I think Nihonium was the name~" (*TLN: The word Nihonium is a chemical under the periodic table listed as 113 Nh, the more you know~*)

"Oh, Nihonium, well that's simple to pronounce."

"Is that so."

The name sounded like someone would say something along the lines of "I have come to realize that I am the strongest", for some reason it sounded really familiar.

"The drop is being tested by the Neptune Family right now, so we might know what it is after a while."

“Neptune Family?”

“Didn’t you know? Shikuro’s strongest group, A group consisted of 5 person which all has A in Vegetation.”

“Heh, then will they bring back some amazing fruits and vegetables?”

“Well they are certainly amazing but I’m afraid they won’t bring it to us.”

Elza said while smiling bitterly.

“Why though?”

“Since the drop is expensive and the loot is huge. I’ve also heard this from someone that, they brought back a few hundred balls of melon that is worth fifty thousand each. It seems like they were going on a mission to hunt down food.”

“Hoe~”

Such an amazing story.

What’s more, what kind of melon is it that is worth 50k per melon. Is it those expensive melons like Yubari Melon or Muskmelon?

While following the flow of conversation from Elza, it feels like someone suddenly touch my back.

When I turned around, a line of adventurers were waiting behind me while having a fearful expression.

Woops, this is bad.

“Sorry for hogging you for so long. Well then, see you tomorrow~”

“Uhmm!”

“N?”

As I was trying to leave the store, Elza suddenly called me.

When turning back towards her, I wonder why is she fidgeting around.

“What’s the matter?”

“Does Ryouta-san!, like drinking beer?”

“Beer?”

“Yeah. I heard that recently there’s a new shop that’s open around the corner. The shop seems to be called **Lantern** and it’s suppose to have some delicious beer. If, if you’re free, why don’t we head there today!”

“Beer eh.....”

I am at a lost.

I don’t really hate beer, rather of all the drinks it’s my favorite.

Even though I love it but... My entire savings right now is only 2000 Piro.

It’s not a money which I can freely spend on drinking.

What’s more, there’s someone waiting for me back home, Emily~

“I’m sorry, I would have to decline your offer.”

“I see...”

“Well then, laters~”

“Ah, please wait for a minute, here.”

This time I really wanted to leave but, she called me again.

Elza took out a ticket of some sorts from under the counter and handed it over to me.

“This is..... Coupon?”

“Yes! Next time when you visit, you can use this coupon to get a 5% discount~”

“This kinds of things exists too?”

“Of course~”

Elza winked at me, while having a mischievous smile floating on her face.

“Please come and support my store again okay~”

“I understand, thanks~”

After shaking Elza’s hands, I left the store.

There are currently many people crossing around outside as much as the people’s in store. Shikuro, the agricultural city with 5 dungeons.

Since the monster’s in the dungeon usually drops vegetation, a lot of skillful people would gather around the city. Even now, there are a few tens of thousands of people living in this city.

With normal humans living here, they can produce the vegetables while getting it from the adventurers.

It is natural for the two of these kinds to always be together, what a strange city.

As I was wondering what ingredients I should get for dinner, the 2000 Piro that I’ve earned was used up.

While thinking about it, I wandered around town and finally reached home.



At the entrance of the store, one can see someone with a miserable face right now, and that person is Elza. Beside her counter was another colleague of her’s named Eina.

“Too bad, you’ve gotten rejected~”

“I, I wwwwasn’t rejected! It’s not that sort of thing!”

“Ahahaha, Don’t try to hide it~ One look at your expression and it’s already been exposed~”

“Even though I said it isn’t... like that.....”

“One word of advice though. Those types of workaholic people, when you invite them for a drink, they will only go for a drink and, end of story. So you have to approach them in a different direction, if you don’t say what you truly want to say then, it will never work~”

“Didn’t I just say~”

“Ah, there’s customers. Welcome~ Hey Eve-chan~ You brought a lot of loots again for today eh~”

Eina avoided her and turned to the direction of the customer, which is a bunny girl pulling a cart.

As Elza wanted to point out on what she was saying, she got left behind.

“It’s a misunderstanding.....” Elza muttered while pouting with a miserable face.



I’ve returned home.

The town which Shikuro has left out, the cheapo 87-year-old apartment.

As I was reaching for the doorknob, I stopped...

There seemed to be a presence of someone inside.

Sorry, I lied. I’ve already known who that presence was, it wasn’t someone that I don’t know.

Because of this cheap apartment, even from the outside, one could hear footsteps coming towards the entrance.

The person inside was obviously Emily~

It’s fine but...

...What should I do in this situation?

While thinking about it, it seems like ages since someone were to greet me from inside my home.

What should I do then, should I go with the simple “I’m back”?

Ah-... Uu...

No!

There’s no point in thinking about it! For now let’s just head inside.

“I’arm, byac—”

As I opened the door—I have shown an uncool side of myself while biting my tongue.

A hundred years of love has been poured over by cold water, damn I was so uncool biting my tongue.

“Welcome back desu~”

While showing an extremely adorable face, Emily greeted me home.

“I, I’m home...”

This time I was able to say it without screwing up.

“Yeap~ welcome back desu~”

“What are we having for—wait, why is the house so clean?”

“Yeah~ Since I’ve cleaned it up.”

“Cleaning... This isn’t the level of just cleaning.”

This, this isn’t just the level of cleaning...

The entire wall was shining white, and the bed was sparkling clean.

Just this morning, when I awoken from my slumber, there were lots of cockroaches around me and that to me wasn’t weird at all. The place was even ragged. But now, it’s

as if the entire house has been rebuilt and cleaned up.

"Is it that bad? It was my first time cleaning up an entire house, so I think I went a bit too far....."

"No, it's not bad. More like this is amazing~"

"Oh, I see!"

The sad and sinking face of Emily suddenly turned around almost instantly to a bright expression.

However..... This is really amazing.

While heading inside the house, I looked around every nook and cranny to check for any dust.

I placed my finger across the only window that we had and–It immediately slipped out of my finger!

With this kind of cleanliness, even an aunt who wanted to complain about it can't do so.

This alone is already amazing, so amazing in fact that words can't describe it.

"Here, Yoda-san. Towel for you~"

"Towel?"

Emily then took out a towel that has been soaked in warm water.

While receiving it, I naturally wipe my face with it.

Ah, I instantly felt refreshed after wiping myself with it~

"This is?"

"Good job in working hard today~ We have tea too though, You don't want it?"

"There's even tea!?"

It's amazing, so amazing in fact that I have to absolutely voice out.

Because of Emily, the moment I returned home, I can receive all these wonderful feelings.

Emily probably move around a lot doing all these.

"Emily-, doing all these work, is your body alright? You must be tired."

"Since this is a new experience for me I'm enjoying it a lot, so I am not tired at all~"

"Haa. Then it's alright."

When Emily herself have said that, she really do enjoy herself to the point where she is happily doing it.

Well, if she does all these for me, I might end up liking her you know.

"Oh yeah by the way, I've heard that there's a new dungeon being born right now. If I'm not mistaken, the name was Nihonium."

"I've heard about it too. It seems to be a no good dungeon though~"

"No good dungeon?"

"A few people have went in and check out the dungeon but, it seems there are no drops at all in that dungeon. The other towns people were also trying to help by asking people who have A rank in drop rate to explore the dungeon but, there isn't even a single drop."

"Hee, something like that can happen too."

"It can happen~ Chrome dungeon is also similar to it, but because the water in it is delicious, people would hunt for the water instead and sell it."

"I see....."

A dropless dungeon, Nihonium eh.

I'm sort of interested in it.



The next day, as always, I separated with Emily and wanted to head to Teruru's first floor but, instead I went towards Nihonium dungeon.

This is a world where dungeon practically drops anything.

Even beer or wine, or distilled liquor, dungeons that specifically drop alcohol is available, and even dungeon that specifically drops only marbled meat exist and are being monopolized by the population.

Since this is a world where anything is obtained from dungeon drops, something as interesting as no drop at all is something to be curious about.

After arriving at the dungeon, I went in.

Unlike in Teruru's first floor, this dungeon looks like a naturally spawned limestone cave.

Maybe due to its unpopularity, there isn't even a **Know-It-All Board** to check your stats with.

What's more, because of the fact that no drop can be found, there is no need for a Know-It-All Board here.

I don't know how to say this but, being only recently born and already being left alone, I really want to confirm whether the rumours are true.

Well whatever, since I'm just here to confirm it with my eyes. Even with that- my S rank drop rate, if I can't even get a single drop, then I will just head back to Teruru Dungeon again.

Well then, what monsters are lurking about in here?

Just as I was saying so, a monster has been spotted.

Wait, aren't those zombies!

Looking at it closely, it has a body of a human, but the clothes are all tattered, and it's body has skins tearing out from it, yeap, it's definitely a zombie.

"Damn it! I wish I'd have an infinite bullet handgun right about now."

While cursing softly, the battle has begun with the zombie.

First off, I aimed at the zombie's stomach. Since the zombie has a humanoid figure, I'm afraid of attacking its head first.

A weird squishy feeling was felt when stabbing it with the bamboo spear.

Even though I've staggered the zombie by penetrating it with the bamboo spear, it immediately recovered and advanced forward.

As I thought, it must the head then!

While taking out the spear, I barely avoided death by dodging towards the side and once again stabbed it on its head.

With all my might, I penetrated the head with the bamboo spear, and it went right inside the head.

After destroying the head of the zombie, it fell down to its knee and fell to the ground.

After waiting for a while it doesn't seem to be moving and, it vanished.

Fu.....

And, what is the drop..... Oh?

The place where the zombie died, there seems to be a weird-looking seed that dropped.

So, this is the drop?

While thinking so, I picked up the seed from the ground and—the moment I touched it, it immediately melted from my hand

This feeling is like when a racoon is trying to soak up a cotton candy, just like that, it melted away.

What just happened? What the hell is this even?

As I was trying to think about it.

-Max HP has been up by 1 point.

A sound was suddenly heard out of nowhere.

CHAPTER 4

A BRIGHT AND WARM HOME

I heartlessly hunted down the zombies.

I'm currently hunting down the zombies in Nihonium's first floor that the A Rankers half-ass-ly thought that there's "Nothing to obtain here".

Defeating it will get me a seed, and after picking it up, it melts off on my cold hands and, a notification "**Max HP up by 1 point**" is heard

The monsters do drop something, what's more it's an item that increases your stats permanently. After intuitively realizing, I immediately hunted down the zombies.

And If I hunt down 100 of them—Then my Max HP would increase by 100 points. Such things doubted me, is it true that my status is increasing? That I do not know for sure.

As I was thinking of whether to test my theory.

I frantically searched around the first floor, but because this dungeon was decided that it's useless, I did not come across any Know-It-All Board.

There's no choice then, let's head back to Shikuro—Wait, I should head to Teruru, since they offer the use of Know-It-All Board free of charge.

As I was thinking so, I was heading out to the dungeon but...

While running towards a corner, there appear to be someone there.

There lies a chibi girl while holding onto a huge hammer, it is my roomy Emily~

"What a relieve~ You're still here, Yoda-san"

"What's wrong Emily? Coming all the way here."

"Since night has fallen and Yoda-san hasn't come back home at all, I came to check and see."

“Wait, night-time?”

“Yeap, it’s night already.” as Emily nodded.

It’s already nighttime, I didn’t even realize at all.

“Although I have a biological clock in my body that can tell whether it’s the last train...”

“Last... train?”

“Aah, it’s nothing~”

“Yoda-san is still planning to stay here? If not, then would you come back home with me?”

“Go back now? Why though?”

“Because I’ve made you a bento and was waiting for you~”

“Well then, let’s stop for today. Let’s head back home now~”

“Okay!”

When we were heading back home, Emily seemed ecstatic as her face is full of joy right now.



Emily and I are currently heading towards the exit of the dungeon.

We are currently in the first basement of Nihonium. Since we have dived in a little bit deeper, it will take some time for us to get out.

On the way, we encountered a zombie.

It appeared from the ground coming out from the head to its toe.

“Wa-wa-, so this is the monster for this dungeon nanodesu~”

“That’s right..... It seems that this kinds of enemy are easy for you?”

"Ah, that may be true~" she nodded. Emily had an eye that wants to fight.

The zombie's movement is dull.

As it was coming closer, it made an "Uu—, Aa—" sound while dragging itself.

Basically, the movement is like when grandma and grandpa are strolling around the park. But we can't let our guard down as they suddenly leaped forward at a fast speed.

Though, it is slower than the Power Type Emily, what's more Emily has lot's of strength.

Even if it is a zombie, I've got a feeling that she can even pull a preemptive strike on it.

"Should I?"

"Do it~"

Emily then took a stance with her hammer.

Unlike the time when she was fighting with the hoppidy hop slimes where she had to get hit first before hitting it back, the enemy this time doesn't use that strategy.

Having the upper hand, Emily had her hammer positioned upwards and she swung it down.

Dokon! (Splat!)

As the hammer swing down the ground, a loud sound could be heard accompanied by a sound of meat being splashed.

After lifting up the hammer, the zombie has become something like mince meat.

"Yatta—, desu~"

"Looks like you're good against these types of enemy~"

"Yeap! But it's a pity though, the rumours about it dropping nothing is true..."

While dancing at the easy victory, it feels as though Emily was suddenly disappointed

by it.

Well if they really drop something then people would've already come here and made an income over it.

"As expected, if it's Emily then nothing would come out."

"Eh? Isn't it that everyone can't get anything out of here?" Emily said so confusingly while scratching her head.

As if trying to explain to her, it seems that a good timing has come where a zombie suddenly appeared. Then, holding onto the bamboo spear, I flew towards its direction.

After killing 100 of them, I've already memorized their movement pattern.

As I've predicted it, I accurately stabbed it in the head and the seed dropped.

"If I kill it, I gets the loot."

"Eeeeeeh~"

"Oh yeah, Emily please go and pick it up~"

"Okay desu—Eh? It seems that it just pass right through my hand."

She tried many times to grab the seed, but was only able to grab air each time.

While looking at me with a troubled expression, I went in her stead and—naturally pick it up.

"How come Yoda-san can naturally pick it up?"

"It seems like it. Has this situation happened before?"

"Nope~ Anything that is being drop is a thing and anyone would be able to pick it up. If not then we can't sell it~"

"That's true too"

"Aa, it disappeared~"

—Max HP was raised by 1 point.

“Are there any item that raises your stats?”

“What is that?”

“If you pick this up, your Max HP will go up by one, is what the sound said.”

“I’ve never heard of anything like this before.”

“There isn’t?”

“Yeap. If something like that existed then you would be—extremely rich or you could become a king or even being the world’s strongest person nanodesu”

That’s true.

Long ago when I was playing this game, I’ve used this tactic before. Now that it’s reality, I can use it again.?

If someone were to have a status up item, they could either be filthy rich or become the world’s strongest.

Though I’ve actually used this on a character before, turning a weak character into a strong character while playing.

I’ve always think that if something like that were to exist in real life, then it would certainly break the balance of that world.

And Emily straightforwardly answered it.

If it exists then they can bring in big bucks, those who wants to use it can use it, those who don’t want to use it can use it to sell in the long run.

This kind of item shouldn’t have exist, not until today.

But because it exists, it’s currently in my hands.

I’m the only one who can make that drop appear, and also the only one able to take it..... something like that?

“...Whether the status did increase, I wanted to check it”

“If you want to check it, remember at the entrance of the cave, there should be a place where you can check it~”

“There was?”

“It’s for people to use it to check their status. Most probably people seemed to have forgotten about it though.”

“I see...” I nodded.

Afterwards, Emily and I went out the dungeon together.

Along the way, there seem to be no zombies nearby and we safely exited the dungeon.

When we exited the dungeon, it’s as Emily had said, it’s already night-time.

Near the entrance of the dungeon, a Know-It-All board was installed there. We went near it and I raised my hands towards it.

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Level: 1/1

HP C

MP F

Strength F

Endurance F

Intelligence F

Mentality F

Speed F

Dexterity F

Luck F

“Eeeeeee! Even though your level is still the same but your HP has increased!”

“Oh, so it did work after all.”

“Is this because of that just now nano?”

“Aa, this is the result of defeating 101 zombies.”

“That’s amazing. I’ve never heard of anyone not leveling up and still being able to up their stats~”

Emily hopped around me while looking at me with those glittering eyes.



The following morning came, I woke up first thing in the morning.

Yesterday, when Emily came to pick me up, maybe because we went back at the usual time and slept at the usual time, I’ve gotten a good night’s rest.

What’s more, it was also because of the condition of the house.

Before I rented this room, the place reeks of moldy stench. At that time, the only thing I was concerned was to “Stay” at some place fast.

There was also budget problem too.

But now we have a warm, and bright home to stay in.

It wasn’t like last time where I woke up while still feeling exhausted, but now the moment when I’m awake, it fills my chest with peace.

Near the window, I can see a bird.

It was holding onto the window frame.

It’s as if it wants to live inside here too.

The bird looks in as if it’s admiring—Emily’s House.

“Good morning, Yoda-san. Breakfast is ready~”

“Thank you. Oh, it’s omelette rice~”

“Yes desu~”

“Let’s dig in—oh delish!”

The omelette rice that I’ve received was fluffy on the outside, and soft on the inside.

When chewing on the egg, a splash of rich flavour tickled my taste bud. This is happiness built on top of happiness.

“Thank you for the food, it was delish!”

“Is Yoda-san going to Nihonium again?”

“Yeap, that’s the plan~”

If I want to increase my stats, then before maxing it, I would need to dive in again.

Moreover there’s the second floor too. After maxing out my HP I should head towards it. Maybe I can even get another ability up item.

So for today, I might dive into Nihonium for a little while longer.

As I was thinking so, I felt that Emily is looking at me with a troubled expression.

“What’s wrong, having such expression~”

“Uhmm, please don’t do any rash decisions okay~”

“Rash decision?”

“Yoda-san is rash. That’s why you rented this house..... At that time, you had a tired look on your face.”

Aa, something like that has happened before.

Well, since I’m used to it so it’s ok~ay~

“Since you can’t escape from a dungeon, promise me that you would return before night-time. I would be happier if you’d do it too...”

“Eh? What did you say at the end?”

“It’s, it’s nothing. Anyways, I wish that you would not do something impossible.”

“Something impossible.....”

—Even if you were to do overtime, you still don’t have your self-awareness like the rest of society.

I’ve remembered something horrible.

Even if I try to forget about it, it pops out.

As I try to forget about it, I hit my head several times.

“Yoda-san?”

“Alright, I promise that I would come back before night!”

“Aa... yes desu!”

“Then, I’m leaving~”

“Please come home safe!”

As Emily sent me off, I left the house.

Then, I told myself to come back home early.



Even though I’ve said that I will come back early, but I didn’t say anything about not doing any rash decisions.

While currently at the first floor of Nihonium, I am defeating the zombies with great speed.

Since I’ve promised to come back home early, I will push myself to do what must be done before night-time approaches.

Instantly kill a zombie when approaching it.

Collecting the seeds while running around.

Afterwards, seeing a zombie and immediately killing it again —

Since I've become able to gradually grasped the movement of the zombies, the efficiency of killing them has increased.

And so before the sun sets, I've power level my Max HP from C to S.

As promised, I returned home before night and Emily greeted me with a happy expression.

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CHAPTER 5

THAT'S SO STRANGE

After having a light nap, I woke up.

When I opened my eyes, an unfamiliar ceiling was present. The feeling of warmth being shone from the ceiling feels as though there's no ceiling there at all.

It looks like I'm in some kind of cave—Ah, I was exploring the second floor of Teruru Dungeon just a moment ago.

Eh? Then why am I sleeping inside here then?

Suddenly, I heard a squishy sound beside me.

As I was trying to sit up and look at that direction—Ugh!

Something suddenly hit me, that thing who hit me jumped back and keep a distance from me.

After closely examining it again, it seems to be a slime.

Teruru Dungeon's inhabiting monster, a Drowsy Slime.

.....So this was what made me fall asleep!

Remembering what happened during battle, I quickly got up from the ground.

Then, I picked up the bamboo spear that was laying at the side of the ground and positioned myself.

How long was I asleep? What the, did it hit me while I was sleeping?

Oh shit, I'm glad I didn't die.

The slime then flew towards me, I intercepted it with my bamboo spear.

I then violently swung the bamboo spear on the Drowsy Slime.

Slap! The slime quickly changed it's direction, and bounced back towards me, hitting me.

It was a clean hit on my side! Eh? It doesn't hurt---as I was thinking so.

"This..... is"

I started losing consciousness, I fell back down to the ground and went back to sleep again.



I woke up again from a light nap—This time I quickly jumped up from the ground.

At the same exact location, the Drowsy Slime continues to hit my body.

I hold onto my bamboo spear, and this time I aimed at it carefully while it flew towards me and pierced it like a skewer.

".....Fu~"

My palms are sweating.

What a dangerous fight that was.

Teruru Dungeon, Second Floor.

The moment I step foot on this place, a slime suddenly jumped on me, and immediately made me sleep twice in a row, and whilst I was asleep, it beat me up.

It beat me up while I was asleep, if I was in a game, I may even be annihilated. What's more it made me sleep twice!

It feels like I was blessed upon after coming to a new floor. Now I understand why Emily did not want to come here yet.

The slime then dropped a carrot.

The size and shape are good, this is an excellent carrot.

While thinking how much it can sell, I picked it up and put it into my bag.

Maybe—If I'm not mistaken.

It's might be due to my HP being S from hunting at Nihonium's first floor that I was alright.

If I have high HP, then even if I were to be beaten up by low-level monsters on these first few floors, not much damage will be taken.

I guess that's the gist of it.

That's the reason why I continued to find more slimes.

Drowsy Slime found~

I readied my bamboo spear. The slime flew towards my direction, I swiftly dodged it.

Let's be more serious this time.

Even if I were to be asleep, I think I can get back up before dying, and hunt down for drops to profit. That was my initial plan when diving onto the second floor of Teruru Dungeon. Though being put to sleep time and time again would ruin this plan.

Dodge it, then strike it.

Dodge it, then stab it.

Even though sometimes I would be put to sleep, I carefully fought it.

The fight is getting dragged longer and longer. Even though it's already 3 minutes, I still could not manage to defeat it.

Suddenly, something flew towards my direction.

A red like thing flew to the slime landing a direct hit, and the slime lit on fire.

It was burning, then the fire stopped, and it vanished. Then it turned into a carrot.

The one that I saw previously was bigger compare to this small looking carrot—What

gives!?

When I frantically turned around, there stood 4 people consisting of guys and girls.

The ratio is 3 guys and 1 girl. Is this a party?

“The hell you doing just standing there for?”

“Since we’ve helped you defeat that Drowsy Slime, you should hurry back upstairs.”

“...Level 1. Warning, being in Teruru’s second floor is dangerous.”

These people just say what they want to say, while ignoring the carrot that was dropped by the slime, they walked pass me.

After hearing the 3 guys rambling, I head back.

As I was trying to head back to the staircase where I used to come down to the second floor.

What was that just now. I am a little pissed off.

But it’s no use being pissed at them, I should head back and hunt down more Drowsy Slimes.

—Just as I was thinking so.

“Uwaa, Wh, what is it.”

“...”

“You, aren’t you going with them?”

All of a sudden appearing before me, the girl from the party just now scared me.

Her height seems to be around 150 centimeters, a girl that looks like a Bunny Girl. Is she a character who doesn’t speak much? Why is she looking at me like that with those soulless eyes.

More like.

"Those ears..... are they moving on its own?"

At first, I thought she was just wearing a typical Bunny Girl dress, but it seems to be an orthodox bunny girl outfit.

Looking at her more closely, it seems the ears aren't headband, it looks as though it's the real deal attaching from her head.

What is the meaning of this? I thought about it while questioning it.

"Level 1?"

"Eh? Aaa you're talking about me? Well, I am indeed level 1. Why, is there a problem?"

"Low-level, hate it." she said, as she did a chop to my forehead.

Hyun! As a tear sound was heard, my head was hit with a "Pechi~".

It doesn't hurt but I was puzzled.

What was that chop just now?

".....?"

The girl also showed a puzzled expression.

While tilting her head, she showed a strange-looking expression.

"Wh, what is it?"

"....."

Without saying anything, she walked away!

She turned back, and hurriedly walked away.

Eeeeeh, Wh, what in the world was that just now?

I completely did not understand what was going on just now. Well, since the 4 of them ain't coming back, I returned to hunting down more Drowsy Slimes.



Since I do not want to worry Emily that much, I stopped for today.

I brought back the carrots that I collected from Teruru's second floor and went to sell it.

The person in charge seems to be Elza again.

"This is, where did you hunt it?"

"Where? Isn't it from the second floor's Drowsy Slimes?"

"Eeeeeeh. Since when did they drop such big carrots?"

"What's wrong with these carrots?"

"This is amazing~ There's no smell coming from the carrots, moreover it seems to be really sweet. This can be eaten normally even without dressings."

"Heh... Having a high drop rate causes the drops to be of high quality too?"

"Ah, your Vegetation drop rate is high isn't it? Ryouta-san."

"Something like that..... Can you guess how much is it?"

"Since this carrot is of this quality... is it B, no wait, it's the world's highest level A right?"

"A is the highest?"

"It is. Human's ability can be calculated from F to A, where A being the highest level."

Fumu.

It seems to be the same explanation as Emily.

The ability is counted from F to A and A being the highest.

Since Emily is a little bit of an airhead, her explanations were a bit dubious, but since

it's coming from even the normal Elza, then I guess it's not wrong then.

I guess my S level does not normally exist.

I wonder why though.

While thinking about it, Elza went to the back with the carrots and came back with the change.

Since the quality and quantity of the carrot is high, today's income was 8000 Piro.

If I do this for a month then, 8000 X 30, I can get a total of 240K Piro then.

Since 1 Piro is almost the same as 1 Yen. If I think about it, it is slightly higher pay than my previous work's income.

I was sort of happy about it.



I head back to my warm home.

When I opened the door, a person from inside came out and happily hugged me.

"Welcome back Yoda-san... What's wrong? Why are you looking around the house curiously?" Emily curiously said as she asked me.

"Somehow I feel something's weird. See, even though nothing has changed internally speaking, but somehow I'm feeling this warmth over my entire body when I walk into the room."

"Is that so nano?"

"Even though I know it's really clean, but that's not the case. U~n..."

"Huh..... Whatever it is welcome back nano~"

"Aa, I'm back."

"Here, a cup of tea for you~"

“Thanks..... Oh, it’s cooling and delicious~”

The tea that Emily took out has become cold.

It’s not ice-cold, nor is it lukewarm.

It’s just at the right temperature of coldness, it truly has touched my body as I’d come home.

Emily, omega good job~

I then gave Emily the carrots that I carried.

I didn’t sell it all and left enough for a portion of 2 to eat.

I gave it to Emily as tonight’s ingredients.

While being happily wrapped by the atmosphere of the room, I wonder what sort of dish would she make, this is exciting me~

Knock Knock.

“Yes~ Who is it?”

“Aa, let me open it.”

“Okay desu~”

To not bother Emily who is cooking right now, I went in her place instead.

When I opened the door, a somewhat familiar face was standing there.

“You are..... from before.”

The one standing there was the Bunny Girl which I’d encounter today during my dungeon hunt.

As soon as the girl saw me, she did a chop on my head.

——Pechi. It doesn’t hurt but, it’s too sudden.

“What are you doing all of a sudden.”

“Low level..... hate it.”

“You didn’t just come here just to say this right.”

“.....”

The Bunny Girl just stared at me.

With those deadbeat eyes of hers, I have no idea what she’s thinking right now.

“Uhm.....”

“.....” Again she didn’t answer and walked away.

What the hell is wrong with her.

“Yoda-san, who was that?”

“No, that’s my line. Who IS that?”

“Eh? Aa, she’s coming back.”

“Heh?”

The Bunny Girl came back, this time dragging a guy.

This guy was just now one of the 4 person in the group.

He was the one who had a shit mouth, the gangster looking face that I will never forget.

“It hurts men, The hell are you doing”

“It’s fine, it will end soon. It doesn’t even hurt.”

“It hurts—bitch you lied, aren’t we friends!”

The Bunny Girl made the guy stood up, and chopped him.

Pechi—Pushaaa!

The guy is bleeding quite severely, the amount is as though a whale is squirting out water from it's hole.

“Kyaaaaaaa”

Emily let out a scream. Well of course she is.

The Bunny Girl then let go of her friend (Are we even friends?) while looking at me as if saying

“Low level, I hate it.”

“A, aah.”

Pechi.

I was chopped, though it doesn't really hurt that much.

“Level low..... how?”

“What do you mean how...”

It might be due to me being level 1 and my HP is S that's why it's like that.

“Strange..... That chopped, if it hit this house, it would be destroyed.”

“And you hit me with that kind of chop!!!!”

“That's so strange.”

While talking, the Bunny Girl tilted her head while showing a strange expression.

CHAPTER 6

THE BUNNY, THE CARROT, AND THE STRENGTH-UP SEED

“Etto... What are you doing here anyways?”

“This.”

The Bunny Girl then took out a carrot and shoved it to me.

“A carrot? Why a carrot?”

“It’s Yoda-san’s carrot~”

From the back came Emily’s voice.

My carrot?

I looked closely at the carrot that was being shoved to me.

Now that you mention, isn’t this similar to the one which I sold to Elza, Teruru second floor’s carrot drop?

After looking at it, I still can’t confirm it. Though Emily reminded me that it was indeed from me.

“I see?”

“The smell and colour confirms it nanodesu. It’s Yoda-san’s carrot nanodesu~”

“Yoda’s carrot” the Bunny Girl murmured to herself.

“Why does it sound like some sort of brand name?”

“There are things like that too.”

“What do you mean by that?”

"There are people who specialize in hunting unique monsters only. Those people who don't produce their own item would then tag their names on the drop and sell it to others."

Aah, that I understand.

I've seen people who put their names on their products.

Even though I understood it——I looked at the Bunny Girl.

Bringing a carrot that I've brought back to sell it off, what is it suppose to mean?

"I lo~ve~ carrots." (*TLN: She's speaking in a slang daisyuki~*)

"Lo~ve~?"

"Bunny, lo~ves carrots."

As if satisfied with her words, she nodded several times.

Afterwards, I noticed something.

The Bunny Girl's head has a pair of bunny ears attached to it, it looks to be the real deal.

When she was saying "I ro~ve carrots" her ears were twitching violently.

It's as though her actions are of a child getting their favorite toy, as her bunny ears are moving in conjunction.

The girl who was wearing a Bunny Girl costume turns out to be a real bunny eh.....

I still have much to learn in this world.



At our home, the Bunny Girl who called herself Eve is now standing beside Emily whilst staring at her cooking.

"First, peel of the carrot like so. After peeling it, slice it thinly."

“Noodle.....?”

“Yes desu~ It has become carrot noodles~ Then, you take it and boil it for around 10 seconds, while briskly controlling the fire.”

“Oh-...”

“Now we take the carrot leaves, and fry it together with the meat for a while. If the taste is not enough, we can add in some potato starch to thicken the flavor.”

“Gravy sauce...?”

“And finally, taking the previously boiled carrot noodle and mixing it together-Ta-da! Three coloured carrot soba topped with sticky sauce is completed~”

“Fuooooo!”

The Bunny Girl’s eyes are sparkling.

It’s shining so brightly that her eyes seemed to change into a star shape.

Of course I understand her feelings. Emily’s cooking skills are like a work of a magic trick.

Afterwards, the three of us ate together.

Carrot soba, though at first it looks a bit unsafe to eat it, but as I slurped it, I immediately gobble down the entire bowl in a blink of an eye.

There are no bad odor smell coming from the carrot, what’s more it leaves a sweet aftertaste when chewing it.

Even after the fire was gone, the shining feeling still remains. The soba reminded me of the cup noodle that I used to eat call Barikata Ramen where it has a springy and soft texture to it.

Maybe because of the way the potato starch sauce together with the carrot was made, it blended really well with the noodles. A whole gentle feeling has tickled my taste buds spreading my entire body.

Happy~

Topping it with happiness, my body is also being wrapped around with it.

“This is really good !”

“I’m glad it is to your liking~”

“This isn’t the level of just matching my taste, this is delish, absolutely delicious! This can even be sold in a restaurant!”

“980 Piro a bowl.”

“Such realistic setting! Wait no, words can’t describe this magnificent taste”

As Eve and I were analyzing it, we praised the food accordingly.

Maybe because we praised her too much, Emily had an extremely embarrassed look on her face to the point that she can’t eat.

Looking at her portion, Eve looks as if she wants to eat it.

“Growl~”

“Ah, you want to eat this?”

“Want to eat~”

Emily gave her portion to her.

Eve had a delightful expression while eating the food happily.

“Is it okay?”

“Yes, since she’s enjoying it, I’m happy~”

“I see”

While looking at Eve who’s enjoying her meal.

Meeting at her at the dungeon, what's more visiting us abruptly.

Even though I thought of her as a weird child, unexpectedly she has a cute side.

While realizing that I was staring at her, Eve's face suddenly turned red.

"Low level, hate it."

"Don't say it so naturally and no chop to the head okay."

As I warned her, even though Eve had an unsatisfied expression on her face, she still finish cleaning up Emily's dish. Finally, she placed her hands together in a prayer while saying "Thanks for the food".



The following day, I departed to Nihonium Dungeon.

Considering that I've already graduated from the first floor getting my HP to S, while anticipating it, I went ahead to the second floor.

Not even a mile after walking around the second floor, I've encountered a monster.

The second floor's monster is a bone-like human figure.

Clothed in bones, while holding a club-like bone on it's hand. (*TLN: The bone it's holding is a femur according to the Author*)

"As per my information, it's a eh."

Since Nihonium Dungeon has been thoroughly explored by humans, I have obtained some information about it.

The names and characteristics of the monsters are being shared and published as well as the drop contents by the Adventurers who first encountered it.

As per the information of the bone-y monster, I've encountered a Skeleton.

It's good that I've encountered it..... but.

“Stare—”

I feel like I’m being watched intensely.

From behind, I can feel someone is watching me intensely.

While looking back, poking out from a shadow, a pair of ears can be seen.

The twitching bunny ears. It’s Eve.

“Hey, what are you doing there.”

“.....”

No answer, only a pair of bunny ears can be seen.

I don’t know whether she’s really trying to hide, or she’s just trolling me. It’s difficult to judge.

While thinking about it, the skeleton charged at me.

It swung the bone downwards making a “Buooon!” tearing sound.

As just realizing what was going on, I couldn’t dodge it in time.

Thus, I took the bamboo spear and blocked it.

Bakii, Meki~meki!

The bamboo spear which I received from Emily has been broken in half.

“Shit, my weapon was—”

“Ei~”

While thinking what to do next, Eve suddenly appeared before me.

Even though she was hiding behind me just a moment ago, she has now appeared before me.

While cutting in between me and the skeleton, she dropped her hand-chop heading towards the skeleton.

The skeleton then turned into dust.

“Why has your chop turned it into dust!”

I retort back.

With just one vertical strike from Eve’s chop, it wasn’t split to half, but instead just turned to dust.

The monster who turned to a lump of white dust, vanished there and then.

“What did you just do?”

“I chopped it a hundred times in a second.”

“Then how did it got slice to pieces!”

“I did the same thing with the carrot people.”

“You hit it a hundred times too !?”

“To be exact it’s 101 times.”

“Such small difference! It’s just adding one more !”

While retorting back, Eve come close to me and looked at me.

“What’s more important is, coming here is a no no.”

“Eh? Wh, why.....”

“Over here, there’s no carrot drops.”

“It’s about that huh!”

For a moment I thought there’s some bad news venturing ahead, but it had nothing to do with Nihonium’s second floor whatsoever.

Eve was actually thinking about the carrots instead.

“Are you trying to say that there’s nothing here and you want me to go back to Teruru’s second floor?”

“Let’s head back to the carrot people to get carrots.”

“Your speech is weird!”

“I want to eat carrots~”

“Normally one would just buy it from a store.”

“I want to eat **your** carrot.”

With those teary eyes, she looked up from below me.

Her face has an “Uu~” expression.

That behaviour itself is adorable but, “I want to eat **your** carrot” sounded so perverted as I thought to myself.

Making the “Uu~” expression a double meaning to it.

I don’t wanna know about both of it, especially the former.

In order to not misunderstand.

“I, I understand. I’ll head there later.”

“Later?”

“Yes, later.”

“...Fine”

Seemingly convinced, Eve reluctantly accepted my words and walked away. Was what I thought but she stood there, and walked back towards me.

“Why, you need anything else—Ouch.”

I got karate-chopped in the head.

“Low level, hate it.”

“You purposely walk back just to hit me!”

“I really hate it.”

“You seriously hate it huh!”

As if her mood went down after chopping me, this time, Eve finally walked away.

Afterwards, I found my broken bamboo spear.

Although I lost a weapon, but I still went back wanting to defeat at least a single skeleton.

Since my HP is S, I should be alright.

I walked around the dungeon.

After a minute has passed, a skeleton appeared.

While preparing mentally, I head to the skeleton's direction.

I then punch it with my bare hands.

Even though I've been punching its bones several times, it doesn't seem to hurt. Since I think it's alright, I'll dodge its attack and punch it.

After punching it for god knows how long, the skeleton was beaten up pretty badly.

After being beaten up into a pulp, it falls down, vanished—and a seed dropped.

Only having the same shape as the previous floor, the colour itself is different this time.

As such I picked it up.

—Strength up by 1 point

Was what's heard from a mysterious voice.

"Fuooooo!?"

It seems as a bunny girl's voice was heard.

Hasn't she left already?

CHAPTER 7

MEETING A CELEBRITY

After picking up the seed, my strength was upped by 1.

Thereupon, I faced towards where Eve's sound was heard

I can almost completely see the figure of Eve hiding.

Probably forgetting to hide herself, she is currently staring at me in an obvious place.

What is it? So sudden.

When gazing at Eve, as if just noticing me looking at her, she hides back at the same exact location.

"It's already too late. Moreover, your ears aren't kept hidden you know."

"_____!"

Her bunny ears stood up, and hardened in place.

Oioi, are you even trying to hide your ears?

As if thinking about it, Eve came out of her hiding spot and head towards me.

While staring at me begrudgingly, Eve suddenly chopped me on the head.

Pechi.

It didn't hurt like last time.

Is she trying to hide her embarrassment I wonder?

"This, what's this?"

"This?"

“The drop just now.”

“...Ah.”

Well then, what should I tell her?

Coincidentally, judging by the cumulated information that I've got throughout my research, it is safe to say that the only one capable of getting the drop is me with a drop rate of All S.

I'm worried as to how to convey this to her.

In my many experience, people who says things like “If it's you” or “Only you” are untrustworthy. On the contrary, it causes more problems than help.

This magical word is often used in my company, but it only reeks of fraud. If it were to be exposed, than many problems would definitely occur.

This is the one thing I won't use. Even if it's the truth.

Well then, what should I do.

Hmm, Eve is currently staring at me intently.

Stare-.

Stare-.

Stare-.

“*Stare-.*”

“Don't actually say it.”

“...”

Again she continued staring at me.

Is this what I think it is, those kinds of pattern where if I don't utter a word, the cycle would never end.

Seems like there's no other way, I'll have to---.

"Carrots. Not yet?"

"You're concern about that!? What about the talk that we're having just now?"

"If I don't have my carrot."

"If, if you don't eat them....."

Gulp.

Will something bad occur?

"My eyes would turn red."

"What a rabbit-like thing eh!"

"That's the gist."

"Isn't it due to you opening your eyes widely that it's being congested!"

"Dead or Carrots." (*TLN: She actually said it in English but using hiragana*)

"Is this even something to be concern over your life for!?\}

Haih...

I'm tired from retorting too much.

Well that's fine, since the talk about the seed drop has been slipped away due to the flow of the conversation.

But this sure is taking a toll on me.

"I'll get your carrots during noon. I'll promise to head to Teruru Dungeon after noon comes. So just wait patiently for now."

"Really?"

“For real.”

“Fine.”

As if being convinced, Eve finally walked away.

At first, I thought that she was going to hide again from me but, I've confirmed that she actually went away this time.

If there's carrots then it's..... fine?



During the entire morning, I'd gotten my strength from F to D after hunting in Nihonium Dungeon's second floor. Right after that, I went to Teruru dungeon's second floor and hunted for carrots at the same pace as just now.

Due to my strength being increased, I felt that defeating the Drowsy Slimes were easier.

Despite losing my weapon, the efficiency of defeating them rose dramatically compared to yesterday.

The carrot drops also increased significantly compared to yesterday's drop. The amount was absurd to the point that it was relatively difficult to carry all of them.



When I finally arrived at the store, Eve was already there waiting patiently.

The store was crowded with buyers, only Eve was sitting there looking conspicuously.

With the surrounding looking at a pair of bunny ears and wearing a bunny suit, nobody even went close to her as if she was empty like space.

As I was wondering why I went close while carrying the carrots, the crowds are being noisy.

“Who is that brat.”

“I don’t know, a new no name guy perhaps?”

“Being ignorant can be scary eh, he’s actually getting close to that Killing-Rabbit.”

What’s going on? As I got closer to Eve and started talking to her.

“Yay, carrots~”

As I took out the carrots and hold it out to her, the surrounding crowds became even more noisy.

“What an idiot, using carrots.”

“Does he know what he’s doing? Doesn’t he know who she is?”

“Such a pity, the boy’s head is gonna turn into pomegranate.”

Again with this noise. Seriously, what is wrong with them.

As I was thinking about it, Eve used hand-chop on me.

“What’s your problem, even though I’ve given you carrots.”

“Low level, hate it.”

“It’s about that huh, well it can’t be help I guess.”

Since my level can never be up.

Wait a minute, I wonder about that though. Since I’ve found a HP and Strength up seed in Nihonium’s dungeon. It might even be possible for the following floors below to drop level-up seeds.

Well, there’s still a long way when that time comes. When that happens, I’ll just say I’m lucky with it~

While thinking about it, Eve started rubbing on the carrot.

With both her hands holding it, she started rapidly chewing on it.

She looks like a hamster or a squirrel, while using their buck teeth to chew on the food.

I was eager to take my smart phone and take a picture of it and post it on twitter---wait no, more like taking a video of this adorable phenomenon.

"How's it?"

"I lo~ve carrot~"

"Is that so."

I was glad for her---as I thought so.

"Wh, what the!?"

"That Eve?"

"The so call Carrot Junkie---is receiving someone else's carrots!?"

They were noisy again, though this time it was subtly a different kind of noise.

The noise just a moment ago were noises of amazed and sympathy, but this time it was just pure amazement.

Seriously, what the hell is going on.

As I have absolutely no idea what they are rambling about, I went ahead and took the remaining carrots and brought it to the counter to sell it.

The open counters---Since Elza's counter seems to be open, I went towards her counter.

"Greetings, I'll be in your care again for today."

"Ryo,Ryouta-san. Who is that?"

"Who do you mean?"

"Do you know that person?"

“That person?”

I followed Elza's line of sights and, she was looking directly at Eve.

Eve is still chewing her carrot.

“Oh you meant Eve? More of actually knowing her, it's more like we're being stuck together while she's using me.”

“Being stuck together!?”

“Sorry, that's wrong of me for putting it like that. There are indeed no such things happening between us. It's more of me being nostalgic of feeding carrots to it.”

I was wondering if this is the right thing to say, the Eve who is now eating the carrot in a cute matter, it is the correct way of saying it.

Feeding the carrots really is a nostalgic feeling.

Un, that sounds about right.

As I thought that that was the right thing to say, the surrounding crowds have gotten even noisier, even Elza looked at me with an unbelievable expression.

“What's wrong?”

“Wait, wait just a moment.”

While hurrying, she went back for a moment,

While the crowds are being noisy, I waited for her.

What did I say that made them so noisy.

Elza finally returned. Her expression has also loosen up a bit to normal.

“Thank you for waiting, I've confirm the following amount.”

“Confirming as in?”

“These carrots, I will buy it with double the actual price.”

“Eeeeeeeeh!? Double!? Did she just say double~~~!?”

Seriously, what is going on right now.

“What’s wrong.”

“No, it’s alright... ah”

As I turned around, Eve was standing there.

Even after she’s finished her carrots, she looked at me as if wanting more, as she was looking at the remaining carrots that I was about to sell.

“Is this the reason?”

As Elza nodded several times.



Eve – Kalce Leader.

With her bunny ears and bunny suit being her trademark. She is an adventurer

Although her ultimate skill, Excalibur sounds cute, but due to her hitting someone in a second with her explosive damage, it has gotten fairly famous.

It was rumoured that her power can even split a mountain in half.

On the other hand, she was famous for being called a carrot sommelier.

Of all the 5 dungeons in Shikuro, there are 7 floors that have carrot drops, especially Bismuth’s 19th floor carrots, the way of defeating the monsters has been ingrained by the girl. Though there is scarcity in value for the carrot.

Her favorite lines are “Carrots or alive”, and since she has been fed by someone with a disgusting carrot, many sacrifices were made.



“I don’t know how to say this but、 I have too much informations to keep.”

“A carrot that is being approved by Eve is rare.”

“I guess I have to thank her for it.”

After selling of the carrots, the total was 15k Piro.

This double amount was more than yesterday’s because of her.

“Instead of saying thanks, I want carrot.”

“Uo! Where did you suddenly appear from.”

“Where, isn’t it between your crotch?”

“Are you a child! Instead of saying it in such places, can’t you say it normally.”

“Whatever it is, I want carrots.”

“Tomorrow.”

“Tomorrow?”

“I have plans for today, I have to go.”

The one I’m having plans with is obviously with Emily since I’ve promised her. Thus I will obliged.

“You’re leaving?”

“Aah.”

“Uu...”

“No showing that face. I am done working for today.”

“.....No matter what?”

“No matter what.”

“Selfish.”

“I’m fine with being selfish.”

“Low level, I hate it.”

I was chopped

“This and that has nothing to do with it.”

“Hmph~”

Eve stick her tongue out, and walked out the store angrily.

As the girl left the store, at the exact moment, the store’s atmosphere has also relaxed.

Oioi, are y’all really that tense.

Well whatever.

I regained my composure, and said goodbye to Elza.

As per the usual time, should I bring back a souvenir for Emily.

“Please tell me who is the producer of this wonderful bean sprout!”

There seems to be nuisance happening inside the store, I don’t feel like being involved with, thus I quickly fled the scene.

CHAPTER 8

IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE TASTE

The following day.

As usual, I went into Nihonium's second floor to power up my strength, and when afternoon came, I went to Teruru's second floor to hunt for carrots.

While I was there, I witnessed something unpleasant.



Teruru Dungeon, Second Floor.

There is currently a party of 3 consisting of guys and girl wandering around.

One of them is a well dressed elderly man, with an energetic look, and a masculine face.

In contrast, the other two were fairly young, both the guy and girl looks to be around their 20's.

Their equipments are battered showing the remnants of a fierce battle with monsters, even their hairs and skins have loosen their smoothness. Their appearance now looked as if they haven't slept for many days.

The three of them are in a formation while adventuring in the dungeon.

Monster—A Drowsy slime has appeared!

The guy and girl then flew towards the slime with a dull movement.

Whilst the slime is damaging both of them, when an opportunity appears, the elderly man went in front and deal the finishing blow.

The Drowsy slime then vanished, popping out a carrot drop.

Afterwards, the elderly man picked up the drop, and put it into a magical cart.

The cart is showing a stack of loot, while gazing at the various vegetable drops from the monsters, he showed a satisfied face.

On the other hand, the guy and girl are exhausted.

Beneath their eyes were dark rings showing like a bear indicating their tiredness. Moreover, after their battle they wasted more energy, resulting in them looking like they were about to drop dead at any moment.

“Okay, onto the next one.”

“Cap, captain... Can we rest for a moment please?”

“I’m at my limit...”

“What gives, both of you are already tired?”

“We have been in here for almost 2 days, and we didn’t even get any shut eyes.”

“Please let us rest even if it’s for a while only.”

“That’s no good showing such weakness. Just being at the dungeon for 2 days and you’re already complaining to this degree is no good. When I was in my younger days, this degree of dungeon exploring, even if it is 1 week or 2 weeks, I would continue diving in.”

“But, if you don’t have sufficient sleep...”

“You should need some time to lay down even if you’re inside the dungeon for that long.”

“Then just stand and sleep.”

The elderly man just said it easily.

I don’t know whether the 2 guy and girl are listening to him because of their exhaustion, but they showed a lifeless expression when looking at their leader.

The elderly man, though for a slight second, showed an unpleasant expression on his face.

Though it was literally just for a second, the man grabbed his fist tightly, and passionately speak to the two of them.

“Are you trying to say that I’m not doing anything because I’m currently not in your shoes working hard?”

“That’s not what we meant!”

“We didn’t think till that far.”

“No, I understand if you think of me that way. I am aware that y’all are sad. However, I’m doing this all for your sake.”

“For our.....”

“.....sake?”

The younglings said matching their speech.

“That’s true. I believe in your ability. Humans, the only time they can grow is when they are young. Conversely, if you truly want to grow, even if it is impossible, you still have to push through. That’s what I sincerely think so.”

“This can’t be.”

“Can we really...”

“What’s more!”

While the both of them tried to say something, the elderly man interrupted them midway.

“That is a success story. This would become a story where the next generation of young people will look at and be impressed at. I want to see that impression, I want that impression to be seen by everyone!”

“Cap, captain!”

“Is that how you feel about us?”

The younglings were deeply moved by his words.

The exhausted face turned upside down after hearing the elderly man’s words.

“So believe in me, if it’s the both of you, you can do it. Won’t you believe in this old me?”

“—Yes!”“

The younglings regained their energy.



I’d just witness a bad scene.

A party consisting of 3 people, an elderly man pushing the weaker companion into working hard for him.

Growing up, or being moved, or even chasing their dreams. I shuddered when these kinds of words were used.

...This reminded me of my past.

This scene is similar to when I was working at my previous company.

The manager used these kinds of words to his workers, and it moved them to work even harder for him.

It was a terrible place.

Thus, my mood turned bad.

“Yoda-san, What’s wrong?”

While watching the tense situation, a voice was heard from behind me.

When I turned back, the owner of the voice was Emily—and also Eve.

As usual, the presence of Emily, with a small body, combine with her huge hammer and her backpack, whilst Eve with her bunny ears and bunny suit was there.

Eve then silently came closed to me, while using her hand and chop my forehead.

“Low level, don’t like it.”

“I know.”

“Carrot, hurry.”

“Sure, sure.”

The reason why Eve came along was because she wanted her carrots quickly.

Instead of waiting for the product to come to you, you go to the product’s place, was what I curiously thought.

Since the girl wanted it, I wanted to hand her a piece of carrot although the amount was little, thus instead I raise it up high for her to grab it, was what I thought.

While turning around, I hear Emily saying.

“Let’s do it Emily~”

“Ah, shall we take a breather first?”

“Rest?”

Emily walked towards me while leaving a pitter patter sound, while showing me her face.

While staring at me, she slowly took out something.

“Let’s have lunch first nodesu~”

“Lunch eh.....”

It’s true I’m hungry now.

Since during the entire morning I was working hard at Nihonium, I became slightly tired.

What should I do..... while pondering about it, Eve pulled the hem of my shirt.

“Carrot.”

“I know, have one first—”

“Eve-chan will also take a rest nodesu~”

While Emily proposed the idea, Eve seemed a little annoyed, in addition, she sharpened her lips.

“You don’t wanna take a rest?”

“I’ve made carrot pudding though~}

“Fuoooooooo!”

With her eyes shining brightly, the accustomed odd voice was being shouted from Eve.

Carrot..... It’s about the carrot pudding eh.

Emily then happily started preparing it.

She took out several things from her back, from the various things, there’s carrot pudding.

As expected of Emily, I’ve never seen a pudding with this kind of colour, though I don’t really mind it that much, it also seems to look delicious.

While I was praising it in my mind, obviously, the carrot loving kid, Eve, also thought so too with her eyes shining brightly.

“Carrot pudding, give me quick.”

“Okay, here you go. Yoda-san too, your bento~”

“Aa, Thanks”

After receiving my bento, Emily placed a mat on the floor and sat on it.

I opened the bento.

The food had various colours, the aroma of the food sipped into my nose.

The looks and the smell too, considering the nutrition value in it, it is perfecto~

But, the balance was broken immediately.

Beside me, a small hand stretched towards me at an unbelievable speed, and took away all the carrots from my bento.

When I look to the side, Eve was chewing loudly like there's no tomorrow.

—♪

She whistled. No wait, it was an awful sound that doesn't even remotely sound like a whistle.

Well whatever, I don't mind if she just takes away the carrots. I'm happy just seeing the carrot loving kid eating.

While regaining my mind, I placed my hands together and said let's eat.

"Oh, this is amazing. Is this katsu chicken? It's amazing that it looks so similar. The smell is wonderful too, the coating is sweet too, making it the best~"

"Since I used sweet potato flour as the coating, though the spice is a trade secret nanodesu ♪"

"Sweet potato flour? You mean those dried powder? They have those too....."

Now that she mention it, when chewing at it slowly, the taste is indeed sweet potato.

With the combination of the juicy chicken, the taste were overflowing inside my mouth.

Eating before work, Emily's dishes are indeed the best and the most satisfying.

Over there, the 3 man team came back.

The younglings face looked more exhausted than before, although they looked at our direction as if wanting something.

On one hand, the elderly man had an unpleasant expression when looking at us.

“Both of you, don’t become like them.”

““Eh?”” the younglings was shocked.

“I’m speechless at the sight of such easygoing people in such a sacred dungeon. Such posture would not reach to the hearts of others.”

“U, un.”

“That’s right.....”

“The drops have their souls still dwelling. We who worked hard in getting these loot, they turned it into food. Only those who work hard in getting what they want would others be appreciated.”

The elderly man used the same technique as just now and explain it to his workers.

Honestly, it’s painful hearing him talk, so I stood up from where I sat.

Was, what I wanted to do but.

Eve suddenly went away, and came back.

She caught back a Drowsy Slime that was Teruru Dungeon’s second floor monster.

A formidable monster, what’s more Eve was holding the struggling monster as if she was hugging a plush doll.

She looks stronger than I initially thought.

Eve who was holding the slime, walked towards me.

“Defeat it.”

“Eh?”

“This, defeat it.”

“Aa, I see, you want your carrots.”

She can hardly wait for her carrot, even to the point of actually catching one to bring before me to defeat it.

“Fuu.”

The elderly man laughed through his nose.

I somehow understood that he wanted to say “Such an easygoing method.....”

While not bothering about him, I defeated the Drowsy Slime that Eve was holding onto.

While fixing myself solidly, since today I was at Nihonium my Strength went up to C, I defeated it in one hit.

Pon~, a carrot appears, and Eve skillfully catches it while it's still in mid-air.

Since my job here is done, next is–was what I thought.

Eve took the carrot, and brought it to the 3 man team.

The 3 man team was bewildered, when they were presented with a carrot.

“Eat it.”

“Eh?”

“Eat the carrot.”

“But.....”

When the young guy looked at his leader, the elderly man had an even more sullen look.

Veins were popping out of his forehead.

"It's okay, just eat it already."

Eve then chop the carrot in half with her hand sword, and shoved it into the guy and girl's mouth.

Since they were being fed all of a sudden, they could not escape from eating the carrot—

"Delish!"

"This, is this really a carrot nano!"

Their eyes immediately lit up, while praising the carrot.

While eating it raw, (In actuality) they were munching on the peeled slices of carrot.

"The taste, has nothing to do with hardships." as Eve quietly said.

Aa, that's what you meant.

While looking back at the elderly man, veins were popping out more from his forehead.

The scene before me is like a child being eroded by an angel.

"You---!"

As the man tried to quarrel back, Eve preemptively struck her hand sword to his throat.

Afterwards, his throat started bleeding.

The man took a breath and stopped moving.

Eve then silently remove her hand.

"I hate people who misunderstands carrots."

I've got a feeling this man has misunderstood what she was trying to say.

Nevertheless, because he said something bad about the carrots, Eve spoke back.

"Without going through hardships, carrots will still be delicious. Even low-level carrots are delicious."

"I see that you didn't even try to remember my name eh. And why are you being proud of that name."

While pointing it out, Eve went behind me and urged me to go in front.

Her hands pressed against my body, as if pushing my body forward.

"Low level carrots are delicious."

Wow, awesome! It sounded just like me! I didn't know she had that kind of talent!

The scared elderly man had even more veins popping out of his forehead.

Just a little, I thought that it was a bit scary.

CHAPTER 9

THE GUY WHO PROTECTS THE CITY

The trio left.

The elderly man clicked his tongue while glaring at me dreadfully. The other two felt like they were being pulled by their hair by the elderly man.

Eve also came back here.

Although the one who created the awful mood was her, it doesn't seem that she realized it herself, even strolling back here at her own pace.

This is the person who is working for me and Emily.

After defeating the Teruru's second floor Drowsy Slime, she goes and collects the carrot that are dropped on the ground.

Together with Emily, we formed a party like those in a game and hunt together to increase the efficiency.

As a result, because we were faster than usual, we make another round trip to make up for the remainder of our promised time.

The amount was so much that we needed two person to barely carry it back.

Thus today's revenue turned out to be 20k Piro.



“Now that I think about it, you still haven’t gotten a magic cart yet right?”

At the usual shop, when we were trading off our loots in exchange for money, Elza casually mention about such things.

“Magic cart?”

“It’s quite popular and it’s a must have thing though?”

While Elza was saying, I looked around at the other customers.

Now that she’s mentioned about it, most of the adventurers are pushing some sort of cart-like thing.

Moreover, wasn’t the trio gang pulling something similar too?

So I guess it’s a magic cart that most people own.

Though I have no idea what’s so magical about it.

“Why is it a necessity?”

“The magic cart has quite a few convenient functions in it. First off, you can store up to twice of what they are holding.”

“Twice of what they have?”

“Yeap, double of what they have.” Elza nodded.

I looked at the cart that is closest towards me.

The cart is as big as those in Home Center.

There’s already so many things stuff in it, and you can put up to double that amount?

That sure is convenient.

“What’s more, there’s an anti-theft function where only the owner of the cart can take out stuff from within, there’s also a damage prevention function for when monsters are attacking your cart, and also things like not feeling the weight of the drops that you put inside. There are other types too, where you can manually set it at the options menu, that’s the gist of it.”

“All of them are useful function for the sake of diving into a dungeon.”

“Yeap, that’s the reason why I said it’s a necessity~”

No wonder.

If there's functions like these then it is a must.

More like, I really want it.

Yesterday and today too, since I have to carry a huge amount of loots, I have to waste time carrying it while exploring within the time limit.

If I don't have to worry about the loot, I can continue adventuring further into the dungeon and earn more income.

While simulating it inside my head, I convinced myself that it is a "necessity" to have it.

"Where can I get my hands on this?"

"There are Cart Shops inside the city, you can have a look there~"

"Alright, thanks~"

After saying goodbye to Elza, I went out of the store.

Basking in the sunset, Emily was waiting for me.

"Thanks for waiting~"

"Thank you for your hard work nanodesu~"

"Can I do something before heading home? I want to look at some magic carts."

"Yoda-san, do you want to buy a magic cart?"

"Since I've heard that it's quite useful. Has Emily ever used a magic cart before?"

"Only once. When I was venturing into the dungeon with a gang, they were using it."

"Heh, how was it like?"

"They have a very luxurious car. The party that I was in, everyone had a high drop rate."

“There’s such a thing!?”

“There seems to be such option too. Though it’s really expensive~”

“Ah, now that you mention about it, how does one operate the option?”

While walking together with Emily, I thought about it.

If that’s the case I want it even more, the magic cart that is.

After hearing from it from various people, there must be other options besides these.

“As expected this has many great effects for adventurers.”

“Yes desu. Though they are some items that are there just for fun, There are a lot of items that help aid adventurers in carrying their drops. Since this world’s products all comes from dungeons.”

“I see.”

The more I hear about it, the more I wants it.

After being intrigued by it, I observed at various people who are walking past us.

One I get interested in something, I will start investigating it constantly.

There are certainly a lot of adventurers pulling and pushing their magical carts around.

There are pets inside being pushed, even people who are sitting on it while driving it.

Truly, there are many types.

Un, I want it now.



I now fully understand those who want to get something that they truly want but can’t.

“Cheer, cheer up nodesu~”

To the me who is dropping down with my shoulders on the ground (ORZ), Emily is comforting me.

Because, the range of these prices are of a million to two million Piros.

Things like detecting monsters or checking your status, these options piling up one after the other increasing the price, if one wants to get the latest model with full specs, the price is easily over 10 million Piro.

Brutally speaking, the prices are the same as when buying a car.

“Uhm, there, there are second-hand ones too nodesu.”

“Secondhand huh... But there seems to be a catch when getting a secondhand.”

“Etto, that’s right. As a matter of fact, the items that are in it will gradually decrease as you use it nodesu. Occasionally, the items that you put in might be devoured too.”

“What a scary second-hand goods.”

“But, but, it’s true that it’s super cheap~ It won’t even be as high as 100 thousand Piro.”

No matter how cheap it is, if there is a problem with it then there’s no point.

This really is like buying a car.

“Well, I guess I have to slowly save up and buy it.”

“Yes desu~”

To be honest, there’s something I wanted from it.

When hearing it from Elza, and also from the Magic Cart shop’s owner.

It is the option to share your Drop Rate with your party.

If one doesn’t have this function, then you would have to rely on your team that has a higher drop rate to deal the finishing blow, but with this option in the magic cart, everyone can fight and defeat the monsters without worrying about the drop rate.

Especially since I have all my drop rates at “S” where nobody has, that’s the reason why I wanted this option so badly.

Although, this is still a fairly new option.

Not only not being able to afford an expensive magic cart, the option itself is plenty expensive too.

Even if I were to get the most basic magic cart and have this option in it, the price is easily over 100 thousand Piro.

Even though it’s good, but obtaining something like that is impossible right now.

Well, once I’ve gotten strong enough, I can just explore deeper into the dungeon and get more expensive drops to sell it—Let’s wait for that moment to come.

When thinking about it, I regained my mood back.

Thus, I wanted to head home with Emily.

Back to the place which Emily revamped, a warm and gentle home.

As soon as I thought about it, I became excited.

I want to hurriedly go home and laze around and relax at the warm home.

Was what I thought.

“A rogue monster has appeared-”

The citizens became noisy.

A squeal and a roaring sound could be heard from the sky, the people are panicking.

When looking at it closely, the people are running away from the sound.

I then ask Emily about it.

“What is this rogue monster?”

“For some reason, sometimes they are monsters who came out from the dungeon. Those monsters who left their dungeons are even more fierce than the ones inside, it will also randomly attack people.”

“Isn’t this bad then—wait, why are the adventures escaping too?”

“Since killing the rogue monster won’t gain you any drops, thus they are people who run away from a battle that won’t profit them. What’s more monster’s only drops item in a dungeon nodesu.”

“Oioi.”

Are these stupid stories for real?

Because there aren’t any item being drop thus they don’t want to fight it?

As I was looking at the people who are escaping.

I saw a house broken down at a distance.

Over there, a huge Gorilla was there.

There’s a gorilla in front of the house.

“Let’s go Emily”

“—! Okay!”

Me and Emily ran towards that direction.

As we run against the flow of the crowd, we arrived at the site.

There, a monster was there with a number of buildings collapsed.

When the huge gorilla was within distant view—Two?!

This is bad, there’s two of them.

How do we fight that, as I was figuring out.

“Hiyaa-!”

“Formation • Smart Reca, let’s do this.”

“There’s nothing like that though!”

“.....”

Opposite our side, a team of 4 appeared, they then attack one of the gorilla.

“That is...”

“Eve nanodesu.”

One of them was Eve, with her friends (?) that I’d encountered before was there.

The four of them attacked the gorilla together.

“Amazing... All of them, are strong.”

“More than that! We should also fight it!”

“—! Yes desu”

While Eve’s team is handling that one, we went towards the other gorilla.

While trying to thrust it, the gorilla came to my direction and hit—smack me with his hammer-like arms towards me.

“Yoda-san !”

I took the full blow.

The attack was so intense that the blow spread to the ground cracking and made my feet sink into the ground.

“I’m alright! It’s time for our counterattack!”

“Yes desu!”

Together with Emily, we fiercely fought with the gorilla.

Even if the gorilla was alone, it was already this strong.

With just a pound on the ground, that power was like grabbing a collapsed building and tossing it.

We fought with our full strength, if we were to lose, we will get even more tremendous injuries.

While thinking so, I do not want to lose even more now.

With all our might, we fought with the gorilla.

While I'm taking all the damage, Emily uses her huge hammer to follow-up an attack on the gorilla while restraining it.

Sometimes I would also strike at it.

With doing this consecutively, we somehow managed to defeat the groilla.

The huge body collapsed to the ground and the ground shook.

“Phew, we somehow won.”

“Thanks to you nodesu~”

“Are you alright?”

“Yes desu~”

Since I was the one receiving the attack, Emily did not receive any injuries.

I was relieved.

While sighing in relieve, Eve and the gang came to our direction.

“I, I don't agree with you. If this thing was in the dungeon, defeating one would only drop a head size tuna.”

"Still it does not match the size, the tuna that is."

"Of course I know about it if it's something like that. Though it's better than not dropping anything at all."

Eve and the gang were talking about the past when they defeated a gorilla, while the gang are cursing at each other, Eve was there minding her own business.

It looks like no one was seriously hurt, it also seems like they had an easy victory compare to us.

They're strong, as I thought.

As I was thinking such things, cheers were echoing around our surroundings, many people were praising and thanking us.

It seems that the people who were escaping from the gorilla came back and is now thanking us.

Hearing them thanking us for helping them, it felt quite good.

"Yo, yoda-san, let's quickly go back."

I don't know whether she's not used to being praised, Emily urged me to quickly head back. That's cute.

Well, it's true that I don't want to be involved with something this troublesome. Let's head home quickly, I want to rest at my warm home.

As I was thinking of heading back.

I can't believe what I'm seeing right now.

The rogue gorilla has dropped something!

[ITEM ARC]

CHAPTER 10

THE POPCORN AND THE ARRAY OF BLACK

When morning came, I'm currently heading to Nihonium Dungeon.

After waking up in the morning, I have a faint gleeful smile on my face..... For some reason I was reminiscing about my past.

Previously, it's more of the moment before my memory was interrupted.

At that time, many days ago, my health wasn't in good shape. As time goes by, I felt more and more dizzy, by the time I realized what has happened to my body, it was already too late. Even so, I still consume energy drink and continued working.

On that morning, I was also working like mad, I was working so late till the point of overworking and I genuinely did not realize that, but I continued working because I still have lots of work to do till the last train has long pass. Suddenly, my eyes went blurry and became full white and I felt light headed and knocked out on my desk—.

—The next moment the slime has drop something!

Somehow, looking back at it, it must be confusing as to what I'm saying right now. I'm so confused that I thought "Am I still in that dream?".

As I think about it I gradually get further away from the answer, thus I decided not to think about it completely.

As all these was happening, I was inside Nihonium Dungeon.

Somehow in front of my eyes, I was checking my status on the Know-It-All Board.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 1/1

HP: S

MP: F

Strength C

Endurance F

Intelligence F

Mentality F

Speed F

Dexterity F

Luck F

Even though my level is still the same at 1, but because of the seeds I'd hunted my power is gradually increasing.

As I went in, I pumped myself by saying "I'll do my best again-". Afterwards I went into the limestone cave-like dungeon to proceed onward to the second floor.

I immediately encountered a Zombie.

The zombie was as per usual, It groaned while charging towards me.

From yesterday's Gorilla—I took out the item that was being dropped by that rogue monster where this world's people have said that "They don't drop stuff".

Pan!

An explosion sound could be heard from my ears, and a whiff of gunpowder smoke can be smelled, my hands were also shaking for a while and soon became slightly numb.

At that moment—The zombie's head was blown to smithereens.

The item that I was holding on my right hand, is an Automatic Gun which doesn't belong in this world. (*TLN: Automatic gun as in a handgun*)

The Gorilla from before was the one who dropped the gun and a huge chunk of ammo for it.

Today, while hunting for the seeds, I went and test it out.

With one shot to the head, the zombie's head splattered and died on the spot, leaving a seed on that ground.

When I pick up the seed, my strength was up by 1, and I continued searching for more

zombies.

Then, I saw a zombie in a distance. It's around 20 meters away from me.

I positioned the gun and fired it... I missed and instead grazed its shoulder.

I shot the zombie a second time, this time I confirmed a headshot on its head after aiming at it.

With this I've already killed 2 zombies, if I get used to it I might be able to hunt even faster than before.

As for the seeds---.

"Roar!"

As I was heading my way towards picking up the seeds, suddenly the wall beside me collapsed, in it appeared a zombie.

The zombie suddenly pulled a surprise attack on me, I tried to open my mouth to say something but bit it instead.

"---You!"

While trying to forcefully get it away from me, I kicked on its abdomen.

The zombie's body got bent into a '<' shape, and flew as if being hit by a truck.

Even after kicking it it's not dead yet!? I then held the gun at once---

"Ugh-, Ooo-..."

"From behind too! Damn it!"

I was surrounded by a different zombie from behind and it pushed me down to the ground against my will.

I positioned my gun, this time I pulled the trigger.

Pan! Pan!

I shot the zombie who was on my foot and the one who was kicked away by me, both shots flew into it's head.

I panicked for a moment, but managed to handle it.

I picked up the 2 seeds, and my strength was increased by two, afterwards I continued walking around the dungeon.

While trying to get a hang of using the gun, on this past few days I tried to combine it while fighting the zombies which then let's my body get used to the feeling of it.

Before afternoon arrives, I managed to up my strength to B.



In order to join with Emily, I decided to leave Nihonium and head to Teruru.

Because of the convenience of the gun, I've gotten much more powerful.

At first I don't know if this would be effective on this world's monster and was worried about it, but with the speed of these lead bullets while using the gun, it might be plenty effective against them.

The dungeon monsters are certainly tough to hunt, especially ever since my bamboo spear was broken in half, I was wondering what I should do about it, but now with this I won't have to worry about it anymore.

Though the problem is getting bullets.

Yesterday, the Gorilla that dropped the gun together with its ammunition was totalled up to be around 200 rounds.

If I was living a normal life, this amount would be a lot to me, but honestly speaking, I've already fired 50 shots just this morning.

If this goes on I won't have enough, I need to find a way to replenish it.

“...As I thought, it must be the rogue monster.” Somehow I thought so.

What's more, I seem to have understand the rule to this system.

Everyone have said that no drop could be obtained from Nihonium but I got it to drop seeds, the rogue monster which everyone avoid fighting it because it does not drop anything too has dropped a gun and bullets from my world.

Both of them had the same keywords, which is “No drops”.

The rogue monster... They are monsters who leave their dungeon and attack the city.

It's safer that they don't come out of the dungeon but..... I'm expecting it to happen again, because of this.



Teruru's second floor, we are currently waiting for someone.

“She's not coming nodesu.”

“Ain't coming huh.”

While teaming up with Emily, we are currently fighting against the Drowsy Slime, while getting the dropped carrots.

We wanted to give those drops to Eve, but the person isn't here today.

We've waited for a long time but she's not here yet, Emily had a worried expression.

“Did something happen to her?”

“The person might have something to do, coming here everyday is also pushing the limit.”

“Yes desu~”

“Let's take the carrots and bring it to her, perhaps when we returned home and open the door, there's a possibility that she might be in there..... Or not.”

After saying so, I imagined about it and became uneasy.

After heading home, the carrot loving Eve might just break into our home and wait there.....

For some reason, I can picture it becoming a reality, I'm really afraid that it might happen.

While preparing my heart for it, I put the carrots inside my backpack.

"Well then, let's go down another floor today."

"Are we going nodesu?"

"Ah, since I gain a new weapon, and what's more my strength has increased from C to B. Our combat power has also increased, so I thought why not let's try tackling it today."

"Yes desu~"

While speaking happily, Emily followed me together.

Even though Emily is small but is carrying a huge hammer, and she's a Power Type where she can't lose to a Gorilla, but when she isn't fighting, it feels as though she is a little bit of an airhead/pure.

Just being together with her calms people down, that's how I feel about her characteristics.

With that person, we venture down to floor 3.

"Emily, have you ever come down here before?"

"Nope desu. I only know the names of the monster and what it drops."

"Heh, so what is it?"

"The monster is called Cockroach Slime, the drop is a pumpkin nanodesu."

A slime again... Wait what does she mean by Kokuro?

I kinda understand why it's pumpkin. Be it the bean sprouts or the carrots, it seems that this normal dungeon will certainly drop these vegetables.

This world's everything is produce from the dungeon, and the dungeon that produce

these things seem to be normal.

As I was thinking that a Gorilla in a dungeon, when defeated drops a head size tuna, it's drop is kind of normal isn't it.

Thus I concluded that the pumpkin that is the drop on this floor is also normal.

If it's a normal pumpkin then.....

I accidentally glanced at Emily.

The ever smiling small size girl, who made the house warm, also the girl who makes dishes which warms the soul and the heart.

Un, if it's her she can do it.

I'm sort of anticipating it.

While walking around for a while, we met a Cockroach Slime.

.....The shape is certainly a slime. Though the only difference is it's size is super small, the body is glowing in blacklights.

What's more, the movement of this slime is different from the first two-floor where they would bounce around, but instead it's on the ground crawling--- While making a rustling sound as it's moving.

—Bishi!

The atmosphere around us stiffens.

When looking at my side, Emily is looking at the black light that is emitting from the slime.

Her expression is—Smiling, it remained intact.

But, something's off.

“Emily-...?”

“Yoda-san.”

“Y, yes!”

“Let’s kill it desu~”

“You’re kinda freaking me out Emily-san!!!”

While maintaining that smiling expression, Emily took out her hammer.

With her usual small body with that huge hammer combo, but this time it’s somewhat scary.

It’s sending chills down my spine.

Emily then hold the hammer and charged forward!

This is a first! This is the first time I’ve seen Emily-san charging first towards a slime!

Guriguriguri.

While Emily was swinging her hammer down, the ground was shaking.

“Eh, Emily-, I wonder if it’s necessary to do such things...”

“What are you saying Yoda-san~”

Emily turned and face me, while having a delightful expression.

“If we don’t do this much, more tragedy might occur~”

“Ha, hahi”

My voice was turned inside out.

This is weird, even though Emily is showing a gentle expression but for some reason it seems to be scary, I can even see something like a scene of carnage from behind her?

This floor is bad, we have to go back up.

As I was thinking so the place I was standing, the hammer that was swung down to the ground, there was a rustling sound under it.

The Cockroach Slime slipped off.

“It slipped off nodesu.....”

“That’s enough Emily, let’s head back...”

“Yoda-san.”

“Wh, what is it?”

“Even if you were to hate me, please don’t hate the drop.”

“I don’t hate you so, before I start to hate it please stop!”

“Haaa!”

With even more spirit, she swung the hammer down.

To be exact she swung it down onto the Cockroach Slime, and the dungeon shook once more.

Pon!

The hammer jumped up, from the place where there was a slime that was the size of a black array, a basketball size pumpkin appeared before it.

And Emily’s mood has returned.

I was glad that before anything worse can happen she defeated it.

“Emily, let’s go back up. I feel like hunting carrots today.”

“Yes desu~”

Emily let’s go of the hammer, and went to pick up the pumpkin.

Afterwards, we immediately hurried back to the stairs where we came from.

But why, why did that small slime drop such big pumpkin?

At that moment when it's dropping the item, it looks as if a popcorn was being burst.

Since it did not drop a black array, it was kind of funny looking at that.

What did I bring upon myself.

Rustle, rustle, rustle.

Rustle, rustle, rustle.

Rustle, rustle, rustle, rustle, rustle, rustle—

The moment when we come back to the stairs leading to the upper floor, a massive amount of Cockroach Slime has appeared.

After counting it, it seems there's around 30 of them.

Such a sight is in front of us.

“Yoda-san.”

“Eh?”

“I, I might not be able to return to the people anymore.”

“Wait a minute, don't be rash! Leave it to me! Please leave this to me!”

To Emily whose mood has changed again, I forcibly said so.

I won't let her do that!

Absolutely---NOT!

I positioned my gun, and aimed at the slimes.

Pan! Pan! Pan!

At that moment, I've gotten even more concentrated than ever before.

Pan! Pan! Pan!

I rapidly fired my gun, what's more with my sharp and focused concentration, one shot one kill, with the quickest way of slaughtering the slimes.

I was completely mad, while shooting at the middle of all of the slimes.

“Phew...”

I stroked my chest, and I felt that Emily from behind me has also returned to her usual mood again.

And, immediately afterwards.

Pon, pon, pon, pon ,pon ,pon ,pon,—.

Many pumpkin was dropped from the slimes. The scene is like watching a bunch of popcorn bursting one after the another.

What's more---since cause my Drop rate is S, the size was bigger than Emily's, a size of a balance ball pumpkin was appearing at one shot. (*TLN: Balance ball as in exercise ball/ medicine ball*)

The burst pumpkins (popcorn) were, in an instant the road---the only road to go back up was blocked completely.

Despite killing all the slimes in an instance, the irony was that in return the Cockroach slime has confined us on the third floor.

During that time, while imitating someone who loves carrots, I chop the mountain of pumpkins in half before finding Eve, and also desperately tried to sooth Emily down.

Teruru's third floor, I swore to myself to never ever bring Emily down here again.

CHAPTER 11

G's COUNTERATTACK

The following day, I was hunting zombies at Nihonium's second floor like it's a daily routine.

Since I'm starting to get the hang of using the gun, I feel that I can continuously fire it without any problem.

My accuracy and precision has also somewhat increased, unless I don't get hit with a surprise attack, I am guaranteed to land a headshot every time.

I've also practice on a few taijutsu combo.

Hit it, then kick it, and finally throw it.

If I were to be knocked down by the enemy, instead of shooting them, I instead rely on my body to fight them.

"Another surprise attack huh! They love doing that on this floor eh!"

There, a wall which suddenly collapsed, a zombie was there charging towards me.

I used my left hand which isn't holding anything and grab its head.

While holding onto the zombie's head, I point the gun in between it's eyes and shot it on point-blank range.

Although the attack surprised me, but that's all there is to it.

Following this pace, I continued hunting(mowing) down on more zombies get their dropped seed and finally, my Strength has increased to A.



During the afternoon, I went into Teruru Dungeon's third floor.

While reflecting on yesterday's action, I went alone.

And I was glad I'd done so.

Because, on the third floor, all the female adventurers that I've met just ran pass by me in an instant.

Even the people who are diving into this floor, head back up to the previous floor immediately.

The group who consists of mostly female, all ran in a hurry.

A Cockroach Slime has appeared.

Though it looks like a slime, the size is about half of a palm size.

The body is shining in black colour, while rustling sounds could be heard when moving on the ground.

As expected, it is hard for girls to handle this.

But, this is good for practice as I was thinking.

As I positioned myself with the gun, I aimed at the enemy---Bang!

Missed!

The missed shot meant for the slime was instead shot on the ground, making a pebble flew.

Rustle, rustle.

The slime closed in---and flew.

“Uoo!!!!”

I quickly dodged it.

Scary, that was really scary.

That creature tried to fly into my face.

In that moment, my vision was 70% blurred by that black shiny creature.

My heart skipped a beat.

In a way, this is more heart wrenching than fighting a zombie!

After regaining my composure, I readied my gun, and aimed at that creature-.

Pan! Pashuu! Pon!

Looks like it landed a perfect shot and penetrated the Cockroach Slime, then a huge pumpkin dropped from it.

No matter how many times I've witnessed it, the scene of getting a balance ball sized pumpkin reminds me of heating up popcorn.

Although the Slime is disgusting, but in that short moment of getting the pumpkin has somewhat pleased me.

Then, a bunch of them appeared.

I took one glance at them, they are probably around 30 plus—it's not really 30 of them, but the number is somewhere close to it.

Emily isn't with me today, so even if the road is block, there wouldn't be any problem.

I took a deep breath, prepared myself, and started firing continuously.



In the end, I used up a lot of my bullets and was only left with 50 more, though in return I completely wiped out the Cockroach Slimes.

Similar to what happened yesterday, the pumpkin was popping everywhere like crazy

till it fills up the entire room.

While trying to carry the entire loot out of the dungeon, Emily called me.

“Today’s another big catch nanodesu~”

“That’s right. The amount is similar to what we gotten yesterday.”

“Yesterday was... etto, one of them was probably around 10k Piro right?”

“Yeap~”

Speaking of the gram unit, the pumpkin and bean sprouts aren’t that different.

The pumpkin is mighty huge, and it also hurts to carry them all.

Elza was delighted to see the amount because the pumpkins are frequently used in restaurants.

And as Emily have said, 1 of the pumpkin is worth around 10k Piro.

With yesterday’s and today’s amount.

All together, if I sold it I would gained around 500k Piro.

This is quite an income if I do say so myself.

500 thousand huh.....

If I have this much, I can definitely get the Secondhand Magic Cart.

Wait no, I can even get a rather decent house to live in together with Emily.

Before that, since I want to please Emily first, let’s have a feast together as a celebration.

“Well then, let’s do our best and carry these.”

“Hai desu~” (*TLN: She’s using english to say this*)

While carrying the pumpkin back to the shop, we sold it.

Then we went back and grab more, and sold it again.

Though one of it is equal to 10 kilograms, me and, the 130 centimeters small Emily easily carried it.

What's more, Emily has her huge hammer to carry. While I have the strength seed to thank as a result.

Then we continued to carry the pumpkins, we finally come to the last trip—as we wanted to carry it back to the shop...

We saw something **shocking**.

The remaining two pumpkins that were left there at the entrance are being clustered with black creatures, the pumkins are obscenely swarmed by it.

Even though I was far away from it, I knew what they are. It's the black and shiny Cockroach Slimes.

The cluster FK of slimes are moving around the huge pumpkin while digging holes into it and eating it.

Why are they outside the dungeon—.

“Yoda-san...”

“—Y-yes!”

I abruptly look to my side, and saw Emily's blank expression... no it's like a dead fish's eyes looking at the pumpkins.

“Those pumpkins..... it's already hopeless nodesu”

“Wait a minute Emily, don't act rashly! It's true that those might be hopeless but.”

“I am..... I was born for this day nodesu.....”

As Emily said so, she immediately disappeared from where she stood and was heading

there while holding her hammer.

I guess this is too much for her this time.

“Wait Emily, let me do it!”

“But...”

“It’s alright, Emily sit and wait.”

I grabbed hold of Emily and pushed her down.

Geez! I did not hear anything about their being any Cockroach Slimes outside here!

I then took out my gun and shot at the huge pumpkin.

Though my ammo is getting lesser, if I don’t get rid of this now, eventually things with Emily will get even worse.

I cannot afford to miss a single shot—.

My concentration level was even stronger than before.

While attacking, the scattered Cockroach Slime was shot one by one.

I shot the creatures(bastard) that are escaping, since letting even a single one escape will cause more trouble, I relentlessly fired.

While continuously firing, I slaughtered the Slimes.

Click, click.

“Shit! There’s no more ammo left.”

“As I thought, for the sake of this day I was—”

“Eei!”

I used the emptied gun and hit the pumpkin.

More specifically I hit towards the Cockroach Slime.

Splatter!

Though it was a gross feeling, it was inevitable.

It was something that has to be done.

“Uooooo!”

While hyping myself, I continued hitting the Slimes.

With all my might, I kept hitting at the Slimes and pumpkin simultaneously.

The pumpkin that was attacked by me has turned into dust, and I finally annihilated the Slimes.

Somehow..... somehow I've done it.

I sighed. Then I looked at Emily, once the black shiny creatures were gone, her face instantly turned bright.

Thank goodness, I've managed to not let her deal with it.

Although, why are the Cockroach Slimes out here? And how does it relate to swarming the dropped pumpkins?

Don't tell me because we left the dropped items there that they were born right at the spot.

As I was thinking of such impossible scenario.

Pon.

Po-pon.

Po-po-po-po-po-pon.

The defeated Cockroach Slimes are dropping items one by one—they were dropping the bullets that I used just a moment ago.

This reminds me.

The Cockroach Slimes that suddenly appear outside the dungeon are probably rogue monsters.

Such turn of events, in exchange for the 20k Piro, it was used to calm the gloomy Emily with a scene of carnage behind her.

As for me, I've gained around 500 bullets from the rogue monsters.

CHAPTER 12

BRINGING A THING THAT DROPS NOTHING INTO A PLACE WHERE THINGS DO NOT DROP

Today, I am in the store crowded with adventurers, talking to Elza about the situation that had happened just now.

“Didn’t you know about it? If you leave a drop item into a secluded place for a period of time, rogue monsters will be created right at that spot.”

“Ah, sorry...”

Since I’m still new to this world’s logic, I apologize to Elza who is stating something that is obvious to everyone.

“That means, a rogue monster is something man-made?”

“Yeah, that’s what happens. Though there are some exceptions.”

“Exceptions as in?”

“Let’s say if a storm is coming, then all the items would fly away.”

“Ah-..... I see, I see.....”

So this could also result in accidentally creating a rogue monster.

In conclusion, if you obtained a drop from a monster in a dungeon, and accidentally left it secluded in some place for a period of time, then it will return into the original monster.

“Even inside the dungeon?”

“Yeap, even in the dungeon~”

“Is that so.”

I am currently processing the information that I've just heard.

If that is the case—.

"Uhm, Ryouta-san. If it's alright with you, let's go out together this evening and have di-dinner! I, I know of a restaurant that serves delicious fo—"

"Thank you Elza! I'll come back later!"

After realizing something I immediately want to test out my theory, thus, with an excited feeling I flew out of the store.

If what I'm thinking is feasible then—, I was so excited that it completely block my surrounding vision.



In the shop where Ryouta has rushed off, a colleague of Elza came near to her while looking at the entrance door.

"Too bad, you just got dumped~"

"It's not like I've been dumped~ It's just that Ryouta-san has some important business to attend to that's all, hmpf~"

"Ahaha, you're sulking~"

"I'm not sulking! Ryouta-san is just living his life to it's fullest that's all!"

"Wow~, Thanks for the *feast*~ Ah, welcome~"

(TLN: Elza is using a slang where she says -damon at every end of her speech.)

Though Elza is somewhat incisive, yet she is still so compassionate.

It can clearly be seen in her eyes.



After hunting down the Drowsy Slimes at Teruru's second floor and getting it's dropped carrot, I went back up to the first floor.

The reason why I don't hunt pumpkin is, because I want to prevent another accident from happening again.

As expected going again for a third time is kind of—, I *wonder why* when I am getting pumpkins, Emily's eye looks as though it became hollow.

Thus carrot it is.

As long as it's something, carrot or pumpkin, or even bean sprouts is okay for me.

The reason being, I want to intentionally create a rogue monster.

Because if I defeat a rogue monster, I can get a drop that isn't in this world.

That time when I defeated the Gorilla, I'd gotten a gun, and the other time when I'd defeated the Cockroach Slime, I got a bunch of bullets.

Since bullets are consumable, I need a way to replenish them.

Thus, I want to deliberately create a rogue monster so I can replenish my consumables.

While thinking so, I brought the carrot to a secluded area and left it there, and hide at a spot where I can see.

Well, what will happen?

So, I waited for a while.

"I *lo~ve* carrots~"

"I've caught you instead huh!" (*TLN: She's using her slang again*)

Eve who appeared out of nowhere, is now picking up the carrot that's on the ground and started eating it.

With her teeth out while looking like a hamster, she is chewing on the carrot.

“Why are you eating it!”

“Oh, it’s low level~”

“Stop calling me by that name! Forget about that, why are you eating that carrot!”

“Because there’s carrot laying there~”

“Ah I understand, I’m sorry for not realizing sooner that I would end up catching you instead.”

“Don’t mind~ Can I eat the carrot now?”

“Don’t eat it!”

“I’m not handing it over though”

“You’re not giving it back?!”

“This carrot is already mine. Even if heaven and earth were to turn upside down, I will absolutely not hand this over!”

“This is the first time I heard such long remark from you, wait are you even okay with that!”

The satisfied bunny girl Eve is now munching on the carrot.

Her proud bunny ears are twitching.

“Haaa, I’m glad that I hunted more.”

I readied the carrot and left it on the ground.

Twitch, Eve’s ear jumped up.

She’s staring hard at the carrot, she’s even drooling!

“Wait a minute, can you please stop that.”

“But carrots—”

“I get it already I’ll give it to you afterwards.”

I readied another carrot and hand it over to Eve.

Eve is now looking at the carrot that she’s holding while looking at the carrot that is on the ground while comparing them.

“There’s carrot there, and there’s carrot here.”

“Are you kidding me... Oh right, why not just take these carrots over to Emily”

“Emily.....”

“If it’s her, she can make some wonderful dishes with it.”

“Carrots... Emily... A god has been born.”

“That’s what you’re thinking?!”

While not minding my retorts, she took the carrots and walked away.

Fuuh, I somehow managed dealing with her.

Once again I look at the carrots and think about it.

I somehow was able to dug a hole on the ground, and placed the carrot in it.

Afterwards I walked away, once I’m far away from a distance I looked at the hole.

After that, I waited there patiently for 30 minutes.

It’s a failure huh---was what I thought when...

Poko-

There, a Slime was born from the ground.

It’s the Drowsy Slime that is living in Teruru Dungeon’s second floor.

“I was waiting for you—!”

I took out my gun, and aim at the Drowsy Slime.

Somehow it seems as though the Slime was about to cry, as I was imagining things I pulled the trigger.

Pan! Pon!

After shooting at the Drowsy Slime, 10 bullets dropped!

“I did it!”

Without thinking I let out my voice.

My experiment was a success. With this, I can create a rogue monster anytime I want, and safely replenish my supply which does not exist in this world.

This was a huge step.

I thought that it would be a pain that I would have to wait for another chance to fight a rogue monster that drops nothing, but with this new method I’m glad it worked out.

“Hm? Wait a minute... drop nothing...?”

In my head, an idea pop up.



Nihonium, second floor.

I head shot a zombie that tried to surprise attack me.

It’s head was blown away, and a seed dropped.

Picking up the seed, my strength was up by one.

The zombie is also a monster that “Drops nothing”.

Even though this world’s human gets no drop from these monsters, when I defeated it

I get a seed drop.

It's the same as the rogue monsters.

That's when something came to mind.

What if the zombie becomes a rogue monster?

That's why I came to Nihonium, but this is troubling.

The drop item which is the seed, when I pick it up it automatically disappears.

I can't bring the item outside of the dungeon and simply create a rogue monster, because when picking up this seed it automatically gives the effect and disappears.

I then went back up to the first floor.

While searching for it, I saw a Skeleton.

Because it's all bones, there are only a few parts which can be aimed, thus I calmed down and, use the gun and defeated it.

The seed dropped.

—Max HP up by 0.

A troubling result has occurred.

Since my max HP has already been up to S, I thought maybe if I pick up the seed it would work but, even after picking it, it ups by 0, as expected the seed still disappears.

It seems that I can't just bring out the seed willy nilly.

I guess it's impossible eh... I thought if a monster who doesn't drop item becomes a rogue monster, something interesting might happen.

There's no choice. Not everything can go accordingly to my plan.

Since I'd even replenish my bullets, I guess it's about time to head back to Teruru to earn more money.

As I thought so, I leave Nihonium.

As I was reaching the exit, I was thinking stuff like even after picking up the seed my HP won't go up to SS or something.

The wall collapsed(again), and a Skeleton surprise attack me.

"You too! These monsters also love doing surprise attacks!"

I hold onto the skeleton and kicked it.

The skeleton flew in the air continuously, till it went outside of the dungeon.

"Oh shit, It will become a rogue monster—wait?"

The skeleton vanished into thin air.

After reaching outside the dungeon for just a second, it became a fog and vanished.

What is going on? While I hold my head.



Teruru, and now Nihonium.

After experimenting these 2 dungeons, I've finally discovered a simple theory.

All of the monsters, can only live at their current floor.

Since they cannot willingly step into a different floor, and if they were to be blown to a different floor they would immediately vanish.

Since rogue monsters are created because of an item drop being left outside, normally if monsters were to leave they would immediately vanish.

Even going through different floors, or going out from the first floor, all of them will become like so.



NIhonium, first floor.

I am currently waiting near the entrance of the dungeon.

Standing there, staring for the whole time.

I've been waiting there for almost an hour, and finally from the ground a Skeleton appeared, I who was waiting was *surprised* by it.

“Uooooo!”

I grab hold of the Skeleton's bony head, and tossed it outside.

And when the skeleton was reaching the entrance I took out my gun and shot it.

While sharpening my nerve, in that one second, I shot at it's bone part.

The bullet hit the Skeleton and it broke into pieces.

And then—

Pon!

1 bullet dropped!

Originally a monster who doesn't drop anything, no wait, originally there shouldn't be any drop from outside the dungeon!

An item has dropped.

I picked it up, and load it into my gun.

I'm fairly certain, that this is a different kind of bullet.

Outside the dungeon, I aimed at a tree, and pulled the trigger.

The bullet hit the tree, and in the middle of it a magical formation enlarged.

Immediately after, the tree became a big ice block.

Freeze bullet..... a magical bullet.

In my head, the word naturally floats up into my head.

CHAPTER 13

BIOHAZARD

The following day, I went to Nihonium during the morning, this time I went to the first floor instead of the second floor.

Furthermore, I did not actually went in, but was waiting near the entrance.

I'm waiting for a Skeleton to spawn, and when it spawns I will push it outside of the dungeon, and shoot it with my gun.

Before it vanishes outside the dungeon, I defeat it, and get the 1 drop of Freeze Bullets.

Since the hunting area for Skeleton is lesser, I wasted about 5 normal bullets when trying to hunt them down.

The ratio is 5:1 where 1 Freeze Bullet is to 5 bullets, such is my calculation.

This in itself is fine, cause when hunting the rogue Drowsy Slimes, I can gain a lot of bullets.

The only problem is that waiting for a Skeleton to spawn is a pain.

By the way, even if I were to try to bring them out of the dungeon, the violent skeleton would attack me midway and be defeated.

In conclusion, waiting here is the safest way.



Noon came and I went to Teruru's second floor together with Emily.

Forming a party, we are currently defeating the Drowsy Slimes.

Using one normal bullet kills them, even one strike from Emily's hammer kills it.

Since the progress for hunting the carrots is going rather smoothly, today's revenue

will also be tremendous.

Since it's going well... I should test out something on these weak enemies.

"Emily."

"Yes desu~"

"For now just follow my lead, if one were to appear just attack it immediately."

"I got it~"

Emily did not further inquire any details, and seriously nodded.

I understand that she completely trust my words, it sort of made me happy.

After wandering for a while, a Drowsy Slime suddenly spawned on the ground in front of us.

The distance is roughly 15 meter, Emily then rushed towards it with her huge hammer.

After closing in to about 5 meters she jumped up and flew towards it, positioning her hammer to strike downwards.

I loaded the bullet and aimed at it.

While sharpening my nerves, I pulled the trigger.

The bullet went right in the middle of the Drowsy Slime.

A magic formation was formed when it hit the Drowsy Slime, and the Slime froze from within to its entire body.

It became twice its size and formed into ice chunks.

Emily who did not waver, not even her movement falter and continued striking her hammer downwards.

Dokon!

The strike was so strong that it created a crater from the ground, and the freezed up Slime was smashed to pieces. A carrot was then dropped to the ground.

This could actually work.

While stopping their movements with the Freeze Bullet, then leading up on a powerful attack.

Since I was reminded of a certain pattern from a game, it can also be used here too.

The problem is the effect of this Freeze Bullet.

How strong is the freeze effect on an enemy? What type?

How wide is the area of the freeze effect?

I need to grasp all these first, or not it will be difficult to use it.

Well, I can do it on my spare time, since acquiring the Freeze bullet is relatively easy, after ridiculously getting a sum, I can slowly test it out to my heart's content.

While thinking about such stuff I pick up the carrot, Emily looked at me with those bright eyes.

“Yoda-san that’s amazing! What was that just now?”

“Just as you saw, when I shoot at the enemy it turns into ice. Since I only have a limited amount I can’t fire it constantly.”

“But still, that’s amazing!”

I guess the Freeze Bullet combo is a success.

Thereafter, we barely carried that huge amount, which is around 20k Piro worth of carrot outside the dungeon.

As we arrived the first floor, we heard something from outside.

Apparently, it’s raining heavily outside.

While raindrops was hitting me, even within the dungeon the rain together with a strong wind was blowing us.

Boom! Goro goro goro...

“It’s raining rather heavily.”

“This is amazing, it looked as if a bucket was tipped over.”

“We can’t go back at this rate nodesu.”

“I guess we have to wait in the dungeon..... Ah”

I’m currently looking at the abundance of carrots that we are carrying.

“Are these carrots gonna be alright?”

“Yes desu~”

Recently, Emily who is always with me understood my worries, and answered accordingly.

“Rogue monsters will only appear when nobody is around it nodesu. If we are always beside it then there will be no problem nodesu~”

“I see. If it’s like this then it’s fine.”

After confirming the safety I sat on the ground. I readied my gun, just in case a Slime pop outta nowhere.

While in this post, I looked outside.

It is really pouring hard outside, the dented ground looked as though a river is flowing there, it reminded me of a typhoon.

“With this rain pouring, it wouldn’t be impossible that somewhere a building has collapsed from this.”

“During big rains like this, houses might collapsed nodesu.”

“Our house should be fine right, that aged old apartment.”

“No problem nanodesu. Even if it were to collapsed, since Nazareth town is nearby, it is a town near Shikuro where you can get cheap building material nanodesu~”

“Un? Ah I see, since Nazareth has a lot of dungeons that drops building materials, and they are near too so sending it here is cheap and easy.”

“Yes desu~”

I see.

I'm starting to understand this world as time goes by.

Everything is drop in dungeons—Drops as in products for this world, and human lives around this concept.

This is the kind of logic in this world, I gradually gotten more used to it.



In the end, the rain poured till the next morning.

The moment the sun risen, we carried the carrots and head to the streets, and already somebody is making a fuss.

The noise came from 2 person, a middle age man and a young man.

You can tell right away that the middle-aged man is rich with his gaudy clothes and sparkling(bling bling) ring and necklace on his body, and the young man looks to be a normal adventurer.

The two seems to be quarrelling near a cliff.

Since I was curious about it, I went near them to listen.

“What's wrong?”

“A baggage incident has occurred, from yesterday's rain” the young adventurer replied.

“Baggage accident?”

An unfamiliar word has risen, I then look to my side where Emily was and sought an answer from her as it was a natural thing to do.

“Shikuro is an agricultural city where all 5 dungeons produces vegetable, since they are other things that this city lacks, we import them from other countries nodesu.”

“Un, you said so too yesterday.”

“During transportation, incident might occur nodesu. And to put the baggage incident in simpler terms, the luggage might have dropped somewhere or have flown away, or even go missing nodesu.”

“Drop? Ah you mean dropping down from this cliff.”

I now understand why these two are quarreling beside the cliff.

I nodded, then look below at a place near us

It is quite a cliff, below the cliff is 20 meters deep, I then saw a figure of a magic cart.

“Is that where the baggage dropped?”

“It’s because of yesterday’s rain.”

“I see.”

I was relieved.

I’m glad that we stayed inside the dungeon last night.

If we forced ourselves to head back, we would’ve been like them where their baggage were blown away by the wind.

Even if they used a magic cart it still fell down, it would be even worse for us as we are carrying it.

Un, it was the right choice to not force ourselves to head home—.

“Wait, below this cliff, and at that distance!?”

“Yes desu. As time goes on, the items will be left astray.”

“I see!”

As I was thinking about it, I noticed the trouble that's going to happen...

When I look back at the cliff, there's nobody below the cliff, what's more the distance is about 20 meters deep.

If this goes on, those baggage will turn into rogue monsters.

“But, but, even if it is outside we should at least aid them.”

“I see, since it's outside, it won't immediately come out to hurt us, even if it becomes one we can just quickly exterminate it.”

Though the luggage cannot be saved, at least no human would be harm in the process.

Is, what I thought when.

“That is, that's a Femini.”

“Femini?”

Emily shook her head. She doesn't know?

Looking at the guy, he naturally said.

“It's a type of monster. It is invisible and there's no form, you can only catch a glimpse of it when it attacks you.”

It might be made out of gas, or even a spirit.

“Even though the attack power is average, but the troublesome thing about it is it can posses a human and make it its breeding ground. Regardless whether you're a guy or girl, when you finally notice it, you will have already become pregnant with a lot of it.”

“Ewww.....”

I feel sick.

Why are they even talking about this, isn't this kind of a bad talk.

"That's the reason why before a rogue monster can be materialized, it is better to exterminate it before it happens."

The young man then look at the rich man.

"Don't joke around! Do you know how much are those worth? Even the normal cost is worth around 3 Million Piro."

"But, if we don't burn it before then, the rogue monsters will start—"

"Stop thinking about such useless thoughts and come help me think of a way to pull that up."

"It's no use! Look! It is being stuck onto a weird rock, what's more it's already so deep within. It is literally impossible to pull it back up. You might as well just get rid of it at once."

Both of them lamented.

Because it will be troublesome if the items were to become rogue monsters so the adventure-looking guy recommend to burn it all away, since the loss would be huge, the rich man wanted to find a way to get it back.

Though I understand both parties concern, but I support in burning them away.

Before some difficult-to-deal with monsters appear in huge amount, we should—

It was too late.

"For now—Uwaaaa!"

The rich man suddenly shouted, while looking up at the sky he trembled, and white foam is gushing out from his mouth.

It looks as though something or someone is surrounding them.

“Eei!”

The young adventurer was holding something on his hand, a fire arrow—attack magic was released.

The arrow was released.

With an extremely fast speed, the rich man dodged it.

That is not a movement from a typical guy, he must've been manipulated.

“Don’t moveeeee!” the guy let out a scream.

I quickly take out my gun and started shooting.

Since the movement is too fast I missed.

The rich man who is being manipulated, is way faster than the Cockroach Slime!

I hurriedly reloaded my gun, and continued firing without thinking.

After shooting at it with all my might, I wasted around 20 bullets, and finally the monster fell down.

The rogue monster dropped bullets on the ground, though there’s no time in picking it up now.

The scared young man and I were looking at the cliff below.

Something is beginning to break from *inside* the magic cart, something is coming.

“St, stop it... that is of high quality...”

“You still have the strength to say stuff like this—Ugh!”

This time the young man shouted.

Without thinking I took my gun and fired.

For now just keep shooting—as I continued firing around the guy.

After shooting at it, some sort of thread was cut off from the guy and a weird shape has fallen to the ground.

Bullets dropped, thus the monster was defeated.

I don't know whether the young man is dead or not, but I do not have the luxury of checking him.

While looking beneath the cliff, far away I saw those monsters.

The magic cart, a *huge amount* of it has come out from the baggage.

"Run away Emily!"

I shouted at her as I reloaded my gun.

Because I was reminded of that conversation about being a seed bed, I shouted.

I pointed the muzzle below, and pulled the trigger.

"____!"

Before pulling it I remembered something.

I took out the bullet from the gun, and loaded it with another bullet.

Even though I wanted to use it for some experiment but—there's no choice!

I then fired the loaded Freeze bullet.

I shot the Freeze bullet at the huge baggage that is turning into rogue monsters inside the magic cart.

Afterwards, a huge chunk of ice was formed.

At the heart of the magic cart, a 10 meters in diameter huge ice was formed.

In it was a half-transparent monsters, a huge number of Femini was trapped within.

It looks like a huge jelly smudge in it.

“Haaaaaa!”

Emily jumped up!

Jumping towards the 20 meter deep cliff, she hold onto her hammer and swing it down with all her might!

Dokon!

With the gravitational acceleration plus the mass of the huge hammer, Emily strike down the magic cart together with the Femini and it was broken into pieces.

“Emily!!!”

I looked down the cliff, beside the monster which drops nothing and vanishes.

“I properly did it~”

Emily had a huge smile floating on her face.

CHAPTER 14

130CM AND THE HAMMER

After pulling Emily up from the cliff, I worriedly asked.

“Emily! Are you hurt any—”

“I did well right~”

“—where, huh, eh?”

“I did exactly what Yoda-san has said nodesu~”

“...Ah, you mean back at the dungeon.”

I remembered about the Drowsy Slimes.

I freeze it with my Freeze Bullet, and Emily follows up with her hammer attack.

It is exactly the same flow as that time.

Is she trying to say she did a great job?

Emily looked at me intently.

How was it, how was it?

Praise me~ Praise me~

Even though she didn't say anything, I got a feeling that she's emitting an aura like so.

...I see, I understand.

“I'm impressed Emily, you crushed it with a single strike~”

“Since the monster couldn't move, I can use my full strength to hit it nodesu~”

“Even if that's so it's amazing. You even crushed that huge chunk of ice into pieces in

one hit~”

“Ehehe.....”

Emily who is blushing, is ecstatic after hearing my praise.

I was worried at first, but after seeing Emily who has done her best, she deserves a praise.

“Ah.”

“What's wrong Emily”

“I leveled up nodesu~”

“Level up? Oh I see, You leveled up after defeating those Femini.”

“I leveled up a bunch!”

“Heh...?”

I'm interested as to how much she's leveled up.



We went back to the city of Shikuro.

After sending the two guys to a hospital, and selling off all the carrots for money, we are now checking on Emily's status.

Different from the dungeon, we are currently checking the **Know-It-All** board inside the city which requires money.

If it's in the dungeon it's free, but if it's in the city we have to pay.

At first I thought it was a pretty hilarious system, but after understanding that the products in this world comes from dungeon, I sort of understood why.

After paying 100 Piro to the **Know-It-All** board, we checked on Emily's status.

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Level: 20/40

HP: B

MP: F

Strength: A

Endurance: C

Intelligence: F

Mentality: F

Speed: E

Dexterity: F

Luck: D

“Your level has increased so much!”

“Yes desu, it really did went up alot~”

“In just one fight... 14, not wait, you upped by around 15 levels?”

I’m currently looking at Emily’s status on the board.

When I first met her, her level was only 3.

And all of a sudden her level flew to 20!

“...Is Femini really a strong monster?”

“I don’t know.”

“Now that you mention, we don’t know any information about the Femini.”

Even if Emily said she doesn’t know, but I’m convinced that it was because of that.

At that time, inside the magic cart, before the items were transforming into rogue monsters—it turned back to monsters.

That’s why I used up all my Freeze bullets, and freezed them all up.

Then Emily struck it to pieces in one hit.

Though Emily's level is low but her strength is top-notch, thus she could defeat the completely unmoving monsters in one hit.

That's why her level shot up, it's pretty common in games too.

Although it's just my speculation, but it's probably true.

Now, whether it's right or wrong.

What's important is that Emily's level went up by a lot, and her ability has also improved significantly.

I looked at Emily who has her level and ability boosted up.

Looking at the pupils of Emily, it's shining brightly—and she looks really excited too.



One of the 5 dungeons in Shikuro, Arsenic.

Emily dragged me here, and the first thing we went inside the dungeon, I gotten shocked.

“The monsters!”

Even with this, there are too many monsters, it's so crowded in here.

Rocks were rolling on the ground and it seems that it's being dug out from the dungeon's soil.

There are big and small sizes of rocks, the big ones seem to be able to sit, and the small ones have the size of a baseball.

What's more all of them, have mouths and eyes attached to them.

When I was looking at the rocks, our eyes met.

Since there's a lot of them ranging over more than a hundred, their eyes are shining in the dungeon making it a bit scary to look at.

My gut tells me that the monsters are trying to do something so without thinking I pull out my gun, and shoot.

The bullet was reflected.

The rocks with eyes and mouth attached, is quite tough that it even repel a bullet.

"This is troublesome... wait huh?"

As I was wondering whether to shoot more or think of another way to defeat it, I noticed that the monsters aren't moving.

Even the other monsters, when I shoot at the monster—even the rather large rock didn't move an inch.

Only the eyes moved towards me, and stared at me while blinking.

"This is?"

I turned towards my side, and asked Emily.

"It's a monster name <**Dante Rock**>. All of the monsters in Arsenic dungeons are like that, a motionless rock type monster~"

"All of them?"

"All of them, all the way till the last floor~"

"Then aren't they relatively easy to defeat——wait, don't tell me their super hard?" as I recalled the time I shot it.

"Yes desu. Even though they're monsters, they don't attack and we can defeat it just by breaking it like usual. But it's *reeeally* hard, so people who can defeat it are limited."

"Haa... I see."

I then stare at the monsters... I mean Dante Rocks.

"It doesn't attack eh."

“Yes desu.”

Emily went close to it, and stroke at one of the rock’s head(?).

Although the Dante Rock seemed angry glaring at Emily, but it didn’t attack.

It didn’t even escape, nor did it even try to move at all.

Only the eyes and mouth were moving, seems like the danger is *zero*.

“I want to try challenging it nodesu~”

“Challenge? Aah, since your strength is now at A.”

Flash back to just a moment ago.

Emily suddenly leveled up to 20 and her Strength has reached to A too.

Originally her Strength is at C, and it’s one of the highest stats Emily has, but now that she power-leveled, her Strength is now at the highest value which is A.

Now I understand why she wanted to come here.

“I want to try~”

“Good luck!”

“Yes desu!”

I cheered for Emily.

With that 130cm body, and her huge hammer that doesn’t match her height—she went to beat it up.

The rock monster crumbled into pieces.

“I did it!”

“Amazing, one whack and it crumbled~”

“I tried to crush it with my full power.”

“Let’s see~ let’s see~ what does it drop... Is this Dandelion?”

“Yes desu~”

Emily picked up the dropped Dandelion, and it put a bright smile to her face.

“Everything in Arsenic drops flowers.”

“All of them are flowers? But all the monster types are rock though.”

“Yes desu~”

“Heh...”

Defeating rocks drops(produce) flowers huh.

“By chance, are there any dungeons that just have fruits?”

“I heard that Silicon is one of those dungeons.”

“I see.”

I now realized that dungeons tend to follow a theme.

Teruru would be slimes, Nihonium would be undeads, and here, Arsenic would be rocks.

Their drops probably also follow a theme. Teruru is vegetables, Nihonium is the ability seeds, and over here are flowers.

It also seems that Silicon only drops fruits.

“Then that means if you want to produce vegetables you go to Teruru, if you want to produce fruits you head to Silicon, and Arsenic if you want to get flowers. It’s divided evenly.”

“Yes desu! But, but there are some exceptions nodesu.”

“Exceptions?(again?)”

“On Teruru’s seventh floor they drop watermelons. That’s why it isn’t always vegetable——”

“Ah~, about that.”

I showed a pitiful expression and point out.

“That’s because, watermelons are vegetables.”

“Ehhhhh!?”

Emily looks like she was surprised to death.



Afterwards, I went on a *date*(not) with Emily.

To the rocks, Dante Rocks that are rolling around, she went around and broke them.

Despite the fact that their monsters, but because they don’t move at all while defeating it, it doesn’t feel like a fight but rather a stroll in a park.

Break, break, break, the defeated monsters dropped more Dandelions.

Although Emily’s drop rate is low and it’s not a guaranteed drop, but this is still a fair amount of it.

But the rate in which it breaks is high.

Along the way some other adventurers came to challenge it, using the same blunt weapon as Emily to whack it.

Though their rate in defeating them isn’t as high as Emily.

When the other adventurers managed to break one, Emily has already broken 5 of them.

It’s as if digging a mine, Emily is continuously breaking the rocks and getting the

Dandelions.

On that day, she earned around 5k Piro.

And now everyday, Emily would regularly come here and do the same thing.

CHAPTER 15

X2 DROP RATE RING

I went to Nihonium's second floor during the morning to increase my Strength up until A, and later head to Teruru as per usual.

What greeted me at the entrance of Teruru was the usual Emily who is smiling gently.

Afterwards, we went into the dungeon.

Not even a minute has passed and we've already encounter a monster, thus I took out my gun on reflex but...

"Eh? This Slime is slightly different from the rest."

"Ah, It's a **Slime Bros.**"

"Slime Bros..."

I lowered my gun and tried searching my memory.

I feel like I've heard of this name before, what's more it's quite recent.

"...Is it that monster who dropped me?"

"Yeap~"

Emily firmly nodded.

The Slime in front of me which is moving in a relaxing manner, looks like every other slimes I've encountered, though the only difference is it's color which is subtly different and lengthwise it's slightly taller.

I get it now, this was the monster who dropped me, a rare monster that dropped me that is from a different world.

"WOW a rare monster—..... Oh someone was already ahead of us."

The slime who is near the entrance, was seen by a different adventurers, but they had a disappointed look on their face when they saw us and went ahead of us.

“What was that just now?”

“Rare monsters follows a first come, first served basis. Unless we couldn’t defeat it, then only someone else can come and defeat it, though we can easily defeat the Slime Bros~”

It’s a first come first serve basis for rare monsters huh, I’ve learnt another new rule for this world.

“Well then, shall we defeat it.”

I hold up my gun again, and aimed at it.

I wonder, this Slime Bros, should I defeat it outside of the dungeon or inside the dungeon.

To begin with, I am different from the people who are living in this world, the items that are dropped from monsters are different because of my S Drop Rate.

Regardless whether it’s inside the dungeon, or outside the dungeon.

What’s more, the items that drop differ when I defeat monsters inside and outside of the dungeon.

Though the confusion only lasted for a second, as I remembered about the Cockroach Slimes.

Since it’s possible to get a normal item even if you defeat a rogue monster from outside the dungeon.

So going in order, one should first defeat a monster from within the dungeon.

“Yoda-san?”

“It’s nothing, let’s defeat it”

“Yes~”

As I was excited what I was gonna get from the drop, I shot at the Slime Bros.

Although it's a rare monster, but maybe it was from the same floor as those weak slimes, it was defeated in one hit.

The Slime Bros vanished, and “Pon” an item has dropped.

“This is? A ring?”

“I am not sure. Since we do not know much about rare monsters, hence people always say that anticipating what you get is what makes it fun~”

“I see.”

Being convinced, I bend down my knees and picked up the ring.

At that moment.

“Ah, a times two drop rate.”

“You understand?”

“It seems like an array of information is being transmitted into my head right now.”

I'm not kidding, the information is currently transmitting inside my head.

It happened as soon as I picked up the ring, it's as if *remembering* back the past memories I had.

This ring is definitely an equipment, and if you equip it and defeat a monster, the item that is dropped will double up.

“Is there something like this?”

“Have you not heard of it before?”

“Yes~”

“No wonder.”

If that's so, then let's test it out.

As I wanted to wear the ring, it slipped off from my finger.

The ring dropped and rolled to the direction of Emily, Emily then picked it up, and handed it over to me.

"Here you go~"

".....You can hold it?"

"Eh?"

"It's different from when you tried taking the seed..... Emily, you can have that."

"You mean me?"

"Yeah."

"Okay~"

Emily nodded, and wear the ring by herself.



Arsenic, second floor.

We stopped the daily routine of hunting carrots, and bring along Emily here.

The ring is now being worn by Emily, and since I want to test out the drop effect of the ring, coming here is the best choice.

I thought of it and brought her here.

"Let's get started~"

"Good luck."

Emily smiled from my cheer, bear her hammer and head towards the direction of the monsters.

Dante Rock, a rock shape monster which drops Dandelion.

Since I've increased my Strength to A from grinding at seeds, I tried kicking at a small size Dante Rock that is rolling between my feet, but it's still rock solid.

Though my Strength is now A, it's still difficult to defeat the rock without a weapon— Well even if it's difficult it's not like I would die as a result from it.

As I lightly give up on handling the monsters in this dungeon, I watched over Emily.

She swung the hammer, Dokon!

Again she swung the hammer, Dokon.

Dokon, Dokon, Do~kon!

Emily went around swinging down her hammer on the rocks.

Basically she went around swinging her hammer nonstop while I'm following from behind picking up the drops.

While smashing her hammer, an hour or so has passed while venturing around the first floor, and I've collected around 200 Dandelions.

Since the number of parameter has increased, I made an assumption.

Even when wearing the ring, the probability of getting a drop did not change.

Rather, when an item drops, the amount is doubled.

Though it's just a speculation, but compare to yesterday's drop, the amount today has indeed doubled, I confirmed it because of the amount we have today has increased.

I called Emily to stop, and explain to her.

"Wow~ This ring is amazing~"

"That's right, because if one were to wear this, their productivity will double."

"Yeap~"

Emily smiled, and took off the ring and handed it over to me.

I looked at the ring for a brief moment, and pushed it back to her.

“You can continue wearing it.”

“Eh? But.....”

“Since it suits Emily when you wear it, like so.”

“Is, is that so?”

“Yeap”

A ring that has a X2 drop rate where Emily used and smashed at all those rocks.

To tell you the truth, I was watching at her for a moment.

If I were to use this ring, it could indeed increase my productivity, I even thought of using it on Nihonium and it would increase the number of drops for the seeds.

Nonetheless, I thought that it looks good on Emily, and it's better if she has it.

“I understand, I will defeat a lot of monsters~”

“You can do it! I'll cheer for you!”

Emily had a bright smile on her face.

Afterwards, she started hunting down on more rocks, and I collected more Dandelions.

At the end of the day, the total earning was 12k Piro, it's many times more than yesterday's income(5k Piro), it might be because her tension was high today, as I thought to myself.

CHAPTER 16

A REQUEST FROM A GOURMET

At night, we came back from Arsenic, and Emily and I went to a bar.

The shop's name is called ***Vila De Edge***, their specialty is beer, and they feature their beers by arranging 10 types of it by gathering from different dungeons everyday.

Since every item in this world depends on getting from dungeons, both products and quality, are dependant on the ability of the adventurers who are diving in the dungeons.

Since this shop specialized in beers, they collect beers from the top ten dungeons that produces beer everyday.

That's where me and Emily are at currently.

Oida.

"Well then, let's celebrate on Emily's breakthrough of getting more than 10k Piro in a single day! Cheers!"

"Ch, cheers, desu~"

Emily toasted while being embarrassed.

I got a feeling she isn't used to these sorts of things.

"This is... sort of strange."

"Hm?"

"This atmosphere, I've never thought that there would be a day where I would get to drink beer in a pub."

"Since your daily salary exceeded 10k Piro, we can at least afford this much~"

This world follows a currency called Piro, and it has almost the same value as Japanese

Yen.

1 pack of bean sprouts sold in stores is worth around 30 Piro, and 3 carrots are worth around 100 Piro.

Though what we're drinking right now is worth 500 Piro which is a little bit pricy, but since it's a store that specializes in beer so it's fine to splurge once in a while.

Though logically speaking, if someone were to have a 10K salary per day, they could've earn enough to live a normal life.

"Previously, I could not imagine myself doing such things."

"If I'm not mistaken, you said something about wanting to live in a proper house."

"I, I did not say such words..."

While trying to protest, she placed the beer in her mouth, and tried to hide her face behind the mug.

Is it due to the beer, or because of the embarrassment.

Emily's face is bright red right now.

While teasing her, we drank the beer together.

After a hard days work, ending the day with a bright sake.

This moment, it felt nostalgic.

"Excuse me, but aren't you Eliot-san?"

"Haah? Das true, but who the heck are you?"

"I'm a big fan of you, Eliot-san! I look up to you, Eliot the Baulin! I aim to be like you!"

"Ou, good luck with that." (*TLN: Eliot speaks with a sort of rude male slang*)

Suddenly, I heard a conversation from 2 rows in front of us.

While he was drinking with his buddies, a young man came over to greet him, and lowered his head while introducing himself, and lastly he shook hands with him.

“Is that a celebrity?”

“It’s a celebrity nanodesu~”

Emily promptly replied. I looked at her, and urged her to continue.

“Baulin... is the name of a dungeon nanodesu. Eliot the Baulin, a level 49 celebrity with an A Drop in Vegetable nanodesu~”

“Heh~”

A Drop huh, what’s more, his level is quite high.

If your level is high, you get to explore further into the dungeon, and if your drop rate is high, you can get more quality drops.

Since Emily’s level cap is at 40, if we think about it, even if this guy’s lowest level is at 49, he is quite amazing.

“Since Eliot-san is the only one who could accurately obtain the matsutake mushrooms at Baulin’s 37 floor, I heard that people would even request him to obtain them.”

“Well that’s amazing, people even come for him for request? He won’t sell it but instead give it to them?”

I honestly thought that it was amazing.

Towards Eliot, the young man who greeted him had a satisfied expression and went back to his former seat.

He then showed his hands to his friends, as if showing off.

“Oi Acro, bring that seat’s tab to me.”

“Usu.”

Though they are Eliot's friends, he treated them as if they were his younger brothers.

The man who was called Acro left his seat, and went to the counter and had a chat with the worker, then went back to his seat.

"I've talked to them."

"Ou."

I honestly thought that he was cool.

A powerful person, and popular to boot, plus a chivalrous spirit.

Yeap, he certainly is cool.

In a way I want to be like him.

While thinking of such thoughts, Eliot slowly got out from his seat.

His comrades were confused by it, but Eliot didn't bother and went straight towards the entrance of the store.

He stood there, and talked to a guy with good physique and elegance.

"Well isn't it Eric-san. Whatcha doing at a place like this?"

"Oh, Eliot-kun. I've heard from rumours that It seems you've become more active recently."

"Yeah, yeah, by the way, I've gotten bored with Baulin recently, so I've been thinking, it's bout time we find a new place to exploit."

"Who's that?"

"I'm sorry, I do not know."

While listening to Emily, apparently she does not know about the guy named Eric.

Though somehow looking at the situation, I can sort of guess it.

“It might be a former employer.”

“You can tell?”

“It’s more like a difference in position. Remember, even when they’re normally talking, that Eliot would actually walk towards Eric to talk to him. To the fan who greeted him just a moment ago, he didn’t even move away from his seat.”

“Ah, I see~”

“Besides, although his tone of voice is normal, but strangely he is conscious of his tone. As an employee, you should not raise your tone when business partners are together.”

“Just by looking at it, you can already tell so much~”

“It’s just a hunch, since I’ve seen these kind of speech numerous times, it can lead to some fatal consequences if you cannot read the difference in the hierarchy position when business partners are together.”

It sort of reminded me of my past.

While talking with Emily, Eliot went back to his seat, and Eric walked towards the counter and talked to the store owner.

Since it seems that their conversation has ended, I stopped looking at them, and look at Emily instead.

“It’s Arsenic again right, for tomorrow~”

“That’s what I planned to do too~”

“Since my strength has been upped significantly and you have the ring, I guess there’s no need to head to Teruru anymore. If we keep this going, at this rate, I might just call you Emily the Arsenic.”

“There’s no such thing~”

“But wouldn’t it be cool though~”

I was half teasing her, and half being serious.

I hold up the mug in front, and toast with Emily who hold her mug up.

Right after we toasted.

“Excuse me but, perhaps..... are you Satou-sama?”

“Eh?”

I heard a voice from behind me.

Emily was surprised. When I turned around, what greeted me was the guy from before who had a good physique, Eric.

Eric stared and walked straight towards me, what's more he called out my name.

I was embarrassed at everyone's gazes in the pub——especially Eliot who was staring at me intently, thus I quickly led Eric to sit down.



Let's listen to his story for now.

Eric introduced himself as 'Just a gourmet'.

I've never heard of someone naming themselves "Just a Gourmet" before.

Such well-mannered atmosphere, it's as if he was raised up like so.

He hides his emotions well, and doesn't seem to look high and mighty.

He speaks naturally with a well raised manner.

Eric, who from the exchange store——heard about me from Elza and was looking for me.

“Have you been to Teruru Dungeon's fourth floor?”

“Fourth floor? Nope, I haven't.”

Since the experience with Emily, and the rogue monster too.

We only went as far as Teruru's third floor.

"I understand. To tell you the truth, on Teruru's fourth floor, there's a **Bat Slime** that drops bamboo shoots... it is the only monster in Shikuro that drops a bamboo shoot."

"Oh, I see."

"The carrots that Satou-sama brought, I've had a taste of it. It was delicious to the point that I've regretted that I've wasted my life for not meeting you sooner."

It's that serious.

".....So, what you're trying to say is, you want me to gather bamboo shoots for you?"

Putting together the conversation we just had, it seems that Eric came to me just for that.

Eric silently nodded.

Though his facial expression is still the same as usual, but, his eyes were sparkling.

It's as if he's a kid, his eyes are showing his excitement.

It seems he really wants to eat it so badly, even though it was the first time meeting him, I immediately understood the meaning behind his sparkling eyes.

"I understand, I'll bring it."

"Ooh! I'm indebted to you!"

Thus, I took a request directly from someone.

It seems that I will have to tackle Teruru's fourth floor.

CHAPTER 17

RYOUTA BRAND

Nihonium Dungeon.

Teruru's fourth floor, in order to prepare venturing on that floor, I came here to collect some Freeze Bullets.

I do not know what lies beyond that floor but it's better to be prepared than diving in mindlessly.

“Huh?” I unconsciously let out my voice.

Since it's widely known that Nihonium drops nothing, and cuckoo sounds could be heard when entering but, there are quite a number of people in here today.

It quickly became noisy the moment I step foot into the dungeon. I realised what caused this rowdiness.

It's a strange group.

There are 5 guys and 1 girl in the group.

One middle-aged man was ordering around like a supervisor, whereas the rest of the 4 person are being treated like minions running errands for him.

The girl seems young—wait, judging from her appearance she indeed looks like a young child.

She gives off a rather soft and gentle feeling like a princess, with a full white body armor wrapped around her body.

Though a long sword is hanging on a strap beside her waist, I wonder if she can swing it around with those slender arms.

“Un? Who the heck are you.”

The supervisor looking man looked at me, and questioned me.

"Ah, I'm a regular that comes here everyday to hunt for monsters."

"At a place like this? I'm curious."

"And what about you? Why'd you come here for? If you're curious then, I'm also curious as to why you come to a dungeon where nothing ever drops at all?"

"That's the reason why I came here."

At the edge of his mouth, the man grinned.

That's the reason? What is he saying.

It was strange at first, but I understood immediately.

A Skeleton suddenly appeared.

First, the 4 minions went towards the Skeleton and attack.

Is it even necessary to have 4 of them? As I was thinking so, the 4 of them did not defeat the Skeleton, but instead, carefully attack it till it's weak.

The skeleton quickly got beaten to a pulp, and it seems that it can't move anymore.

The young lady finally made her move.

While in a carefree way, she weakly pulled out her long sword, and swing it on the skeleton powerlessly.

The Skeleton was then defeated, and stopped moving...

I now understand that the guys are there just to weaken the monster and finally let that young lady to deal the finishing blow.

It's somewhat similar to a game strategy. A strong person would first weaken the monster, and let the weaker person deal the final blow to earn experience.

In a way, it's similar to what me and Emily had done before.

Was what I thought but that doesn't seem to be the case.

Once the Skeleton was defeated, the guys frantically moved.

They then stuff the Skeleton in a box.

The box looks to be firm and solid, and it seems to keep things hermetically sealed.

In it they stuff the Skeleton, and sealed it tightly.

Afterwards, a 'Pon' sound was heard.

It's a sound when monsters vanished and drops an item—Though Nihonium shouldn't have any monster dropping anything, it seems to be that similar sound.

Inside the box, the Skeleton vanished.

"Yoshi, it seems like we succeeded."

"Uhmm, what was that just now?"

"It's an <Air Box>."

"<Air Box>?"

"You know that the monsters over here only drops air right?"

"Eh? Ah, you're talking about that."

I always thought that nothing drops when killing monsters here, but I remember Emily saying that although monster's that don't drop something, they would at least drop water or air.

It seems that I've slightly misunderstood some stuff.

"In Nihonium, even water wouldn't drop from monsters, only air is drop."

"I see."

"And so, this is an <Air Box> that is humbly made by Princess Margaret. Air that is

subjugated by the Princess. This is our main product."

"Air?! Can you even sell those!?"

"They do sell, air that is made by the Princess. That is also the only thing we sell."

"..."

I was dumbfounded.

How should I say, this is a rather *deep* world I'm living.



After collecting one Freeze Bullet from Nihonium's first floor, I went to Teruru's fourth floor.

Since the third floor is a nest for Cockroach Slimes, I left Emily behind, and venture on my own.

Well then, what exactly is a <Bat Slime>.

I immediately found out why.

A flapping sound was headed to my direction, it has a darkish blue body with bat like wing, and a pair of rather dangerous sharp fangs.

Following the name of the Bat Slime, it is exactly a slime that is shaped as a bat.

All of a sudden it flew towards me, I thought it was trying to tackle me, but it opened its mouth wide exposing its fangs...

Is it gonna bite me, or is it gonna suck my blood?

I'm not sure which it's gonna do, but it's going to hurt if I let it do so, thus I avoided its attack.

I dodged, and during the moment when the Bat Slime stopped moving, i fired my gun.

Since I don't know whether it's gonna be a headshot or a body shot, I concentrated

and shoot the center of it.

The slime fell to the ground and, “Pon”, it vanished.

What came out was a Bamboo Shoot, it has a heavy feeling to it, and it seems to be a fresh bamboo shoot.

It's the dropped item on the fourth floor that Eric has requested.

I picked it up, and continued roaming around the dungeon.

Once I was satisfied with the number of monsters I hunted, I head back outside of the dungeon.



“Fumu, this is certainly your bamboo shoots.”

I brought it to the pub we went to yesterday.

Seeing that it's still daytime, there aren't many customers around, the workers are currently changing up the menu before opening up their store.

Since the day has change, out of the 10 beers, I'm sort of interested in the 2 that is being changed. Maybe I should visit here again tonight, as I secretly think to myself.

Inside the store, Eric saw me holding onto the bamboo shoots.

While staring at it, he took a whiff at it.

“This, this is...”

“What seems to be the problem?”

“My apologies.”

While pardoning himself, he took out a knife from his pocket.

Though it's small but it's well maintained, truly a sharp knife.

What's amazing isn't only about his knife, but his cutting skills are also impressive.

He used the knife skillfully to peel of the bamboo shoot, and slice them accordingly.

It's as if I'm looking at a First Rate Chef, his skills are overflowing.

He truly is a gentleman, I picture that Gourmet would just eat food that is being prepared by other chefs, but this is unexpected.

I can't believe it, he ate the sliced bamboo shoots.

What's more eating it raw!

I was surprised for a moment, when Eric suddenly became entranced.

"Ooh... This freshness, what's more this sweetness. Though it's raw, but there aren't any gutters. This is the first time eating such magnificent bamboo shoots."

Now he acts like a Gourmet, exaggerating on the comments and praising the deliciousness of the food.

It seems that, he came to like it.



The pub that has just opened – **Vila De H.**

Together with Emily, we are currently enjoying ourselves after working for two consecutive days.

"You must be really satisfied~"

"Yeap. Though the rewards was 20k Piro, I kind of expected more."

"How many bamboo shoots were there?"

"10. Total it's 20k though, well whatever, it's fine."

1 Bamboo shoot is equal to 2k Piro. Though it's not much as those high-class ingredients sold in a department, honestly speaking, I was expecting a little bit more

from Eric because of his appearance.

Well, it's not like I work for free, let's leave it at that.

"Oh by the way, I saw an <Air Box> today."

"What is a <Air Box> ?"

"A box with air, wait maybe it's a brand name?"

While chatting with Emily about the things happening in Nihonium, we enjoyed our beer.

Today's daily beer that is under the contract of the shop is a drop within 30 floors below in a dungeon called Beryllium, the taste has a sort of bitter taste resembling a chocolate.

It's quite delicious, so I raised my hand to call a waiter to order another mug, when suddenly Elza came barging in from the entrance.

She is currently looking around the store restlessly trying to find someone.

"Ah, Ryouta-san!"

It seems that I'm the one she's searching for.

She then came trotting straight towards our table.

"What's wrong."

"I've just heard about it. I'd love to make a contract with you, please!"

"Wait just a minute, what is going on right now, what do you mean by forming a contract?"

"I'm saying please put <**Ryouta's Bamboo Shoot**> under us!"

"**Ryouta's Bamboo Shoot**'?"

What in the world.

If it's about bamboo shoots then it must be that overly obsessed Eric...

"I've heard rumors in Shikuro that Eric • Macy-san has just approved of your bamboo shoots."

"It became a rumor!?"

"By all means please put your bamboo shoots under us. We will also agree to put the name under Ryouta-san. Of course we will have some conditions placed. So please!"

Seeing the breathtaking Elza with her utmost effort in pleading me, I did not understand anything of what she said and just nodded, taking in the conversation.

Afterwards, I was certified by Eric.

A brand named Ryouta • Bamboo Shoots has been made, while getting a stable high income out of it.

CHAPTER 18

MERCY IS BORN FOR PEOPLE'S SAKE

At home in the morning.

While resting at the usual warm and fluffy home thanks to Emily, I'm currently worried.

Seating on top of the table in front of me is our entire savings.

Over there lays roughly around 495 thousand—No, rounding it off it's 500 thousand Piro.

So far, this is how much money we've collected, our entire savings.

“What's wrong Yoda-san, staring at the pile of money?”

“Since we've piled up a ton of money recently, I was wondering on how to use it.”

“What are you gonna use it for... Has it been narrowed down nodesu?”

As Emily was observing, I nodded.

“I was thinking maybe even though it's secondhand, we can afford the Magic Cart, or should we use this sum of cash to move to a new home.”

“Are we moving out?”

“Well, though we are used to living here, but it's still kinda small in comparison. Since the cost of this 87 years old house is 20k Piro per month, the size of it is only as big as a one room.”

“Well, I don't really mind it—.”

“As expected, a house should at least have two rooms right.”

“2... desu?”

“Hm?”

What happened, why did Emily suddenly had a surprised expression?

“Or maybe 3 rooms would be better~ Since Emily has so much things with her, wouldn’t it be better that way...”

“Ah..... It is fine if we lived together.....”

Emily suddenly had a happy expression now, what’s going on?

Well let’s put it aside for now.

“What’s more, I don’t know what I’m gonna do about the Magic Cart. As expected, it’s impossible to afford the house and the Magic Cart at the same time. I thought that if I’m renting a proper room, I will have to pay the security deposit first, moving out would also be—.”

“You can leave the moving to me desu~”

Emily lift both her hands up and did a guts pose.

Ah, she meant by leave it to her if it’s about insufficient manpower.

Seeing the figure of a 130 centimeter Emily working is cute in itself but, it’s unreasonable to let her do all of the work by herself.

Well, we’ll figure out when the time comes.

“I’m at a loss as to choose which option. Emily, what do you think?”

“It’s easy, we should get the Magic Cart first desu. If we get the Magic Cart first, our work efficiency will rise, though I understand that having both is better, but I think it’s best if we get the Magic Cart as soon as possible nodesu~”

“That’s understandable. Yoshi, let’s buy the Magic Cart first then.”

“Yes desu!”



Together with Emily, we went to the city to get ourselves a Magic Cart.

The amount of cash we're carrying now is exactly 500 thousand Piro. Since the market price of a Magic Cart is almost the same as an actual car, with this amount of money, we could only afford a secondhand cart.

By Eliza's recommendation, she introduced me to a shop called <Progress> that sells old and second hand Magic Carts.

She also mentioned that the shop have a variety of Magic Carts to choose from. I can't wait to look around.

Was what I was thinking, when I entered the shop.

"Old man... What in the world is up with you."

Inside the store was a man in his early twenties.

The young man is having a worried expression.

What happened exactly?

"...Uh, Oh a customer. I'm sorry about this, Welcome."

The young man who finally saw our presence, fixed his posture, and gave us a greeting with a business like smile.

"Are you perhaps looking for a Magic Cart? We sell Normal type and Custom type or even other selection that interests you—"

"What happened just now?"

While the young man is introducing me about his store item, I interrupted him.

The young man was shocked for a moment, and slowly opened his eyes, while staring at me.

"Yoda-san?"

“I’m sorry for going side track.”

“It’s alright desu!”

Emily smiled and nodded.

I looked at the young man again.

“Something seems to be troubling you, is it alright if you tell us what’s wrong?”

The young man continuously stared at me.

His business face is gradually falling apart, he looks troubled—that his face looked like it’s about to cry.

After a while, just like a straw sucking in, his face changed and he started speaking.

“To be honest, my old man has been missing for the past 3 days.”

“Eeeeeh! That’s bad nanodesu.”

“Is it still the time to be opening your shop?”

“I sort of know where he went and thought that it was alright but, I’m worried that it has been 3 days and he still hasn’t return. In this state, I can’t search for him too.”

“Where did he went?”

“Most probably Arsenic Dungeon. I don’t think something would’ve happened to him at a place where the rock monster wouldn’t even move at all.”

The young man’s face is showing a worried expression.

Emily and I looked at each other, and we nodded together.

“May I ask, what is the name of your father?”

“What does he look like?”

“Eh? D, don’t tell me—”

The young man had a face as if looking at a messiah.



Arsenic, 10th floor.

Even though we venture down continuously, the rock like monster did not even budge at all, thus Emily and I went straight to the 10th floor.

The 10th floor had the same exact monster as the one's above, the unmoving rocks.

"They are called <Heavy Rock> desu, it's the most heaviest monster in Arsenic desu. If one were to carelessly bring this back, they will turn into rogue monsters and crush anything on it's path. It is one of the most threatening monster in Arsenic so please be careful nanodesu."

"Heh."

There's something like this too.

Since all of the monsters in Arsenic is an unmoving rock, so I thought that if it were to turn into a rogue monster, it would still be harmless.

Well thinking about it, if the flower were to suddenly turn into a heavy rock, it would certainly be a huge problem.

"Eh? It seems that there's another type above us."

"That is a <Light Rock> desu. Within the monsters in the 10th floor, it is Arsenic's most lightest monster desu."

"The lightest... Now that you mention, it looks like a balloon floating around and it seems like it'll be easily pushed by the wind."

Right, I sort of understand the gimmick of this floor.

We are currently looking for the father of that young man.

Well, we found him immediately after searching.

We asked the young man to give us some details about his father.

He describes his father as a forty year old short and stout bearded man.

In a way, what he is describing reminded me of a Dwarf.

I wonder does this world have Dwarfs too, and would they look like how I'd imagined?

Though for a moment the suspense was killing me, when we found him, he looked exactly like the Dwarf that I pictured it to look.

That person, is currently sleeping right in the middle of the cave.

And he is sleeping soundly while being surrounded by rocks.

“.....”

“.....”

“.....”

“.....”

“Emily.”

“Hai desu.”

“Kick his head as hard as you can.”

“Hai desu!”

Emily walked towards him with a pitter patter sound, and kicked him.

The guy was kicked and blown off together with some Heavy Rocks, “Ouch” he said as he was holding his head while getting up.

“The hell, all of a sudden.”

“Excuse me, but you’re Alton-san right?”

"Hm? It's true that I am Alton but, what the heck? Who are you guys."

"We're helping your son to find you." (*TLN: Alton speaks in a rather olden time way, exp: washi ha, or nanjai?*)

"Chuck huh? I thought that I've properly put a note that I'm coming here?"

"People would still be worried if one were to be gone for three days without a word."

"3 days? Ho-, It's been 3 days already. Seems like I've been engrossed in my sleep for that long jya."

"..."

"Yoda-san, may I have your permission to kick him again?"

"Try to hold it, I'm also doing my best to endure it."

"Yes desu."

Well, I did come here to check whether Alton-san was safe or not.

We should head back to his son-Chuck and report to him.

While thinking so, I wanted to turn my body back when...

"What is Alton-san doing?" Emily asked.

"I came here in order to gather some materials to remodel my Magic Cart. You guys also know that we modify carts too right."

Modified cart... Now that he mentioned about it, it seems that Chuck had said something about that.

"Do you modify it by yourself?"

"Ou. Since I was fiddling with the Magic Cart and got irritated. When suddenly, 3 days ago, i thought of a good idea to add a function into the Magic Cart and thus I'm here looking for materials."

“Haah..... if you’re looking for materials, isn’t everything dropped in Arsenic flowers nanodesu?”

“Fufufu..... Since when did I say anything about using the dropped materials?”

“Heh?”

“What I wanna use is the monster.”

“Monster? But if you were to use the monster it would turn into a rogue monster–Ah.”

“Yes, The monsters in Arsenic are rocks that do not move at all. Even if it’s one rogue monster, we can utilize it well.”

“Oh-”

I sort of felt it, and started becoming interested.

What I’m interested is Alton-san thinking of using the rogue monsters, and using it to modify his Magic Cart.

“Though, I can’t even find a single rare Light Rock. Heavy- and Light, I require both of it, but what I found was only a bunch of these heavy rocks!”

Alton-san got onto his feet, and went to the mountain of Heavy Rocks and kick them.

“If that’s the case, there’s one over there.”

“Really! Where?”

Alton-san’s face instantly gotten close to me—and started clinging onto me.



After coming out from Arsenic, we went away from the city, and come to a secluded field.

Over there, 2 flowers are placed there.

Both flowers are roses, one is red in color, and other is blue in color.

After placing it on the ground, the three of us walked away from it.

After leaving it far enough where we can barely see it, we waited till it becomes a rogue monster before capturing it.

After some time has passed, a 'Pon' sound was heard and both the roses turned back into monsters.

The rogue monsters that was transformed were The Light Rock and Heavy Rock.

"Yoshaa, With this we can do it—Oh no!"

Alton-san immediately dash in front.

Although the Heavy Rock was stationary, the Light Rock was floating up.

It is the same during the time we were in the dungeon when it was floating like a balloon on the ceiling.

Alton-san dashed and flew.

The stout and short him reminiscing of a Dwarf could not make it in time.

Emily then dash and flew up, while swinging it with her hammer.

The balloon shape Light Rock that is suppose to be a rock is currently floating in the sky

She almost reach it but, it flew even higher up.

"Aah, Aaaaaah..."

While looking at the Light Rock that left him, Alton-san let out a sorrowful voice.

He seems to be voicing out the pain of finally capturing it but it escaped.

"It's alright."

"What should we do Yoda-san."

“Like this—Luckily, I left one more bullet.”

I took out my gun, and load the Freeze Bullet.

I got it during the time when I met with Princess Margaret and her self-made Air Box, the last Freeze Bullet.

I then use it to shoot the Light Rock.

At the center of it, the Light Rock froze up.

The Light Rock that was frozen to a huge chunk of balloon size ice, was lost by gravity and gradually fell down.

“Yoda-san amazing!”

“You did it boy.”

Both of them were astonished.

Well, at least I wasted it on the Light Rock that is rare.



We finally came back to <Progress> with Alton-san, and he went behind the counter where his worried son was.

Although the son, Chuck was amazed, he gave up and bitterly smiled.

“Old man, you’re always doing whatever you please.”

Though he said such words, Chuck-san still had a relieved face.

Well, it’s not like he’s in any danger, but since he was relieved, we let it pass. Emily and I secretly high-five.

Well then, we can finally choose a Magic cart—was what I initially thought but.

Behind the counter, Alton-san came out again.

He was pulling out a Magic cart.

“I’m finally done.”

“That’s fast desu!”

“It was just a moment.”

“Well it’s almost done too, the only thing left is to put these inside.”

The part where he is pushing the Magic Cart, the Light Rock and Heavy Rock was fixed in position.

The heavy *Heavy Rock* wasn’t crushing anything, and the Light Rock isn’t flying away.

It’s firmly fixed in position.

“Is this the modification?”

“That’s right. I just found two bread lying around?”

“Old man! That’s my lunch!”

“After setting the unit price, put this in.”

After Alton-san operated the cart, he put the bread inside.

A piece of 150 Piro sweet bread, it seems that this can be obtained from a dungeon.

Immediately after he put it in, On top of the two monsters, a panel with a number was shown.

The number was, 150.

“And in another bread.”

He put in the second sweet bread, and this time it shows 300.

“Just like that, this function is if you put in an item inside it, after determining the weight, it would show you the exact price of the item.”

“Ooh, now that is convenient.”

When diving into the dungeon, it is certainly good if one can know how much they have earn.

Right, now I understand. Because it needs to weigh the item, one Heavy Rock and one Light Rock is needed.

Though I don't know how it works exactly, but it somehow worked.

“I'll give this to you.”

“Eh?”

“In return of helping me, and going into the dungeon to find me, I give this to you as thanks.”

“You sure it's okay?”

“Ou! Well then, bye.”

Alton-san then return into the back of the counter, while hearing him saying “What should I create now.”.

He only loves making them, he doesn't care what happens after that.

“Etto.....”

Emily and I looked at Chuck awkwardly.

“Keep it, my old man always does whatever he wants. Keep this as a thank you from us.”

“I see... Then I'll gratefully have it.”

Like this, we received a custom made Magic Cart for free, and we are still left with our money.

If it's like this, we have enough to move out, was what I thought.

CHAPTER 19

A GUY WHO EARNS 300K A DAY

On the very next day.

I'm currently taking a break from increasing my Strength at Nihonium dungeon and decided to head to Teruru today.

Why? Because I want to test out the capability of the Magic Cart.

How much is the maximum load, and how much would it sell from that load?

This is what I want to test out today.

First place will be the first floor. The monsters here are Slimes and their drops are Bean Sprouts.

Since defeating Slimes is extremely easy, I saved up my bullets and fought it hands on instead.

...Though.

The efficiency of defeating it is difficult.

The usual drill is to approach it closely, and defeat it.

When trying to get close to it, it bounces away from me, so trying to battle with it is rather difficult.

So I tried a different method, I'll rotate between shooting at it and picking up the bean sprouts.

After defeating the Slime, I pick up the Bean Sprouts and throw it into the Magic Cart.

While repeating this endless cycle, the cart gave an alert saying it's full.

Since it's full, I tried using the function that Alton-san applied to the Magic Cart to count the total amount.

After putting all the bean sprouts into the cart, the total amount was displayed.

41789 Piro, I can't believe it's around 40k!

I was honestly surprised.

Up until now, the total amount we collected after a hard work's day was only 20k, but now with this it suddenly doubled that amount!

It was amazing to the extent that I'm seriously excited of its capability.

Thus, I used the extra 1789 amount of bean sprouts and turned it into rogue monsters to get more bullets, and the remaining 40K will be brought to Elza.

"Exactly 40k! How come!?"

Elza was extremely shocked to the point where she is transfixed to the ground.

After explaining the function of the Magic Cart to Elza, she is now admiring it. Her voice caught hold of another adventurer.

He too wanted the Magic Cart thus I told him about Alton's shop and he immediately went out.

Now that I know the maximum amount for bean sprouts is 40K, it's time to test out the second floor of Teruru Dungeon.

The opponents are Drowsy Slimes, and I'm aiming for their drops which are carrots.

First off, I should first configure the price of a carrot on the Cart.

When I noticed a Drowsy Slime, I immediately shoot it.

I then pick up the dropped Carrot and put it inside the Magic Cart.

34 Piro.

Immediately afterwards another Drowsy Slime appeared, I instantly shoot it, and place the Carrot inside the cart.

The amount went from 34 to 63 Piro.

Eventually, the Magic Cart was filled up to the brim again.

The total amount turned out to be 38814 Piro——Though it's slightly lesser compare to the bean sprouts, but it is still doubled from the previous amount.

I changed the remaining 814 Piro worth of carrot to bullets, and cash in the remaining 38K Piro.

Next is the third floor, the pumpkins from the Cockroach Slimes.

Following the same manner as the carrots, I first set the unit price to Pumpkins.

After defeating a Cockroach Slime, a huge pumpkin popped out like a popcorn.

Then, carrying the pumpkin into the Magic Cart, the amount shows 10016 Piro.

Just 1 of it equates to 10k!

Though I'm collecting the pumpkins one at a time, but it rises up quickly due to the width. In a way, I'm surprise though it's a different meaning compared to just now—But...

The Magic Cart can barely fit just 4 Pumpkins in it, due to the huge sizes of them. Though 4 of them equates to 39608—It nearly could reach a total of 40K Piro.

Since I only use a total of 4 bullets, it is unnecessary to replenish it.

In the end, it seems that bean sprouts are the winner.

Unlike the pumpkins and carrots, I can fill up more bean sprouts inside the cart.

The pumpkins are probably the worse compatibility for the cart.

Out of the 4 pumpkins I collected, the least amount was 8K Piro, what's more I can't put in another one inside because 4 is the maximum I can fit.

Worse case scenario, the least amount I could earn from it is around 35K Piro, though it is still more efficient than last time.

After fully exchanging the Pumpkins for money, I finally head down to Teruru's fourth floor.

The monsters in this floor are Bat Slimes, and they drop Bamboo Shoots.

As for the unit cost—I'm at a loss as to choose which option.

Since this is my last earning for today, I'm feeling rather good.

While thinking so, I pick the unit cost for “Ryouta • Bamboo”.

After finding a Bat Slime and shot it down, I pick up my branded bamboo shoot and place it into the cart,

...Well since it's my last earning, I don't wanna look at the amount till I collected the max amount of Bamboo Shoot before looking at the total.

After defeating it, I place the bamboo shoot in.

After defeating it, since I would likely count it, I tried my best to close my eye and put it inside.

While heartlessly defeating(murdering) them, I placed it all inside the Cart.

Afterwards, the alert finally came stating the cart is full.

It's finally filled. Now, how much is the total amount!

My heart is racing, as I'm feeling really nervous—I looked at the numbers and my eyes popped out.

2 1 1 7 4 0 .

Eh?

Etto, one, ten, hundred, thousand, ten thousand...

Etto one of them is lining up with these two, I'm not blurred or just seeing things, right?

That means..... 6 digits?

—6 digits!?!? It's 200k Piro!!!

Can bamboo shoots be worth 200k?

Though I understand that the brand is being markup thanks to Eric-san but, 200k?

It's easily—10 folds!?!?

Since my efficiency is multiplied, even without the Magic Cart I can easily earn 100k.

Unbelievable...

I'm astonished at not only the greatness of the Magic Cart, but also at Ryouta • Bamboo.

Just diving into the dungeon for a day, I've learned two great things.

I'm simply overjoyed, today was a good day.

As I finished celebrating.

40k plus 40k plus 40k plus 200k is..... equal to around 320k!?!?

Even though it has risen to this extent but, I can't believe the amount of sweat and hardwork I put into working my ass off day in day out at my old company, in just a day, I earned it just like that.

CHAPTER 20

THE NEW HOUSE IS SUPER CHILL

The next morning, Emily and I decided to take the day off from work——So instead of diving into the dungeon today, we went to town.

Same as last time, we went to the real estate agent shop where I went previously to hurriedly lend a house for Emily.

The person from within saw me, and immediately stood up to greet me.

“Well if it isn’t Satou. What brings you here today?”

The person is in his early thirties with a really slim waist.

His body is completely lean, if we were to put it in a bad way he is *that* type of people.

However, since he speaks clearly, I find him reliable.

Etto..... If I’m not mistaken his name was...

...Uhhh.

“It’s Antonio.”

He answered while smiling.

I guess he sense that I’ve forgotten his name, thus he decided to initiate first.

It really helped me.

Being guided by Antonio, Emily and the two of us were sandwiched between a table.

“I want to rent a new home.”

“Thank you very much for choosing us. Can you perhaps tell me the conditions for your new home?”

“As long as it’s new, and wide.”

“I understand, what would be your estimated budget?”

“I guess around 800k Piro?”

“Yoda-san!?”

Emily who was quietly sitting next to me was shocked, and voiced out.

“Isn’t 800k Piro Yoda-san’s entire fortune nanodesu. Is that alright nanodesu? I would consider keeping some for any just in case situation nodesu.”

“It’s okay~”

If we don’t have cash then we should just earn more.

Since all my Drop are S, and what’s more my HP and Strength is already considered really high—where it is easy to defeat monsters. Besides, we now have our trusty Magic Cart to increase our income efficiency.

Currently, using our entire fortune won’t trouble us.

Even if we were to use it, we can just earn it again tomorrow.

This was what’s in mind, using this method.

“I understand——Would these property interest you?”



We’ve easily decided on our new home.

It is at the heart of the city, a 2LDK property. (*TL: LDK is living room, dining room, and kitchen*)

The building is new and it’s clean, the residence around us seem kind too.

The rent is 150k——It’s half of my daily income from using the Magic Cart!

Since it's possible to move in immediately, I chose this location, and paid the monthly rent in advanced for the security deposit, thus the contract is done.

By the way, I decided to keep our previous 20k Piro house as it is.

Even if we move out I decided to continue renting our previous house, leaving it as a Second House.

We also left the warm and cozy atmosphere that Emily has created as it is.

Although it is sort of luxurious of me, since it's still reasonable to do it, thus I lavishly did so.



The next day, our first day in the new home.

After waking up, I head to the clean living room and ate the breakfast that Emily had prepared.

“Emily, you’re amazing.”

“What is, nanodesu?”

“We’ve only just moved in here yesterday, right?”

“Yes desu~”

“Even so—”

I scanned through the entire living room.

The inside of the house is sparkling clean.

Though, it’s not the same as a cleanliness of a new home.

It’s not only as clean as a newly bought home, but also the feeling of warm and cozy atmosphere of living here for a really long period of time.

If I’m not mistaken, this wasn’t what I saw when coming in here yesterday.

Everything is sparkling brand new, it's exceptionally clean.

It was just plain *beautiful*.

It is what it is, you're crazy if you aren't surprised to this extent.

"I just normally cleaned it for a while."

"This is not the level of just *normally cleaning* it."

This deserves to blow one's mind away.

Emily who had done all these is an amazing woman.

Compare to when I was living at my parent's house, this warmth is even better than there.

"Are you going to Nihonium then to Teruru again? Here you go, this is Yoda-san's bentou~"

After saying that, Emily handed me a small package.

Accepting the bento, in it must be my lunch box.

Emily's bento, it must be extremely delicious.

Even if I'm inside the dungeon, the cooled down bento would still be delicious.

That is Emily's specialty.

And if it were to be eaten inside the dungeon, my stomach will be in bliss.

"I'm not going today."

"How come?"

I found an even better happiness that I want to enjoy even if I were to not go today.

"I don't wanna work and lay around indoor all day."

“Is, is that okay? If we don’t go to the dungeon, we won’t get any income.”

“No problem, we can go tomorrow. What’s more...”

“Yes?”

“I thought of it just a moment ago that it’s stupid to work every day.”

“Eeeeeeh? Ar, are you sure it’s fine not working everyday?”

“I think it’s fine!”

I told myself it’s fine.

Yes, it will all work out.

It’s alright to not work everyday, I can go to the dungeon whenever I like or when we need to pay for rent.

That’s the reason why I acquire so much Strength.

Therefore, I think it’s legitimate to have one day where we don’t do anything all day!

More like I wants to be lazy all day! Staying at this comfy home that Emily made.

Emily did not know what to do and was panicking, she does not know what to do to the me who propose the idea of not working today.

“Emily.”

“Yes desu.”

“Let’s rest today! With all our might!”

“Y, Yes desu!?”

After pushing her to this extent, she mimicked me and rested.

Today is a very carefree day.

Together with Emily, chilling all day ('very day).

In the middle of the day, Eve came to our house begging for more carrots. Thus I took out our stockpile of carrots and handed it to her, and she joined us together to chill.

So, a day has passed—Our income for today is zero.

We did not contribute to society at all today!

CHAPTER 21

IT'S NOT AN ACCIDENT

When morning came, I went to the dungeon.

The dungeon I went is Nihonium's second floor to hunt down zombies and collect their drop seeds, and finally increased my Strength to S.

With this, both my HP and my Strength have reached S, thus I've completed second floor.

I guess I should head down to the third floor tomorrow.

There's already Skeletons and Zombies, I wonder what monster lies ahead on the third floor. While having such thoughts, I went out of Nihonium Dungeon.



I head over to the usual buy and sell store that I frequent to.

My Magic Cart is filled with only bean sprouts.

Pushing the Magic Cart inside the store, I immediately search for a staff.

I saw the familiar face of Elza but——She's currently tending to another customer at the moment.

Our eyes met, and she showed an apologetic look.

I made a gesture indicating to her that I'll be back and head over to a staff that has no customer.

"Welcome. Ah, if it isn't Satou-san."

"Yo. If I'm not mistaken, you're Elza's friend name..."

"It's Ena~ Elza is——Ah, she's serving another customer at the moment."

“Don’t mind, I’ll come back afterwards. Moreover, about these bean sprouts, can you help me count?”

“Sure thing, I’ll calculate for you——Eh?”

Elza’s friend, Ena, is shocked.

“The amount is exactly 40k Piro.”

“It’s cause after knowing the amount only then I brought it here.”

Since having this Magic Cart equipped with a new function, I am able to count the exact price of drop items such as these bean sprouts, hence why it’s so accurate.

Just so you know, the rest of the amount is used to spawn Rogue Monsters to collect more bullets.

“It’s easier too since I won’t have to do any fraction.”

“Eeh, yeah...”

Ena is staring straight at me, I wonder why.

“So that’s how you do it..... Now I understand why Elza is so in love with you.”

“Eh? What did you just say?”

“It’s nothing desu~ Well, thank you for easing my job. Here is your 40k Piro.”

“Thanks.”

“Please come again next time~”

After Ena finished saying, I pushed the Magic Cart outside.

Well then, I guess it’s time to head to Teruru’s second floor to get some carrots—

“Isn’t that strange!!”

Don! Somewhere a loud sound was heard. An angry voice that came from a man

reverberates in the shop.

The liveliness of various adventurers who were exchanging their items for cash in the shop instantly quiet down.

Curious as to what had happened, I look to the direction of that voice.

The voice came from Elza's counter, and the counter had been broken into two by that man.

Elza's face went pale, clearly frightened by that man.

"B, but sir, the total amount is—"

Again, Don!

This time he frivolously stomped on the ground.

The stomp was so strong that the building felt like it was shaking.

"Only 9k Piro? Isn't that just strange, I confirmed that I've brought more than 10k amount here. Are you trying to trick a customer right now?"

Obviously she won't miscalculate.

Just a moment ago, when I measured perfectly 40k amount for the bean sprouts, how can they miscalculated if the staff immediately got shocked at the precise amount by just looking at it.

Moreover, there's no reason to argue over a measly 1000 Piro.

"What are you gonna do about it, huh!"

"I'm, I'm sorry."

"This is not something where a sorry can help—"

The man raised his arm.

Like a bow, the arm is aiming straight towards Elza.

Everyone held their breath.

Pan!

Pikon!

The man's arm was frozen!

It's more like I aimed at the guy and shot with my gun loaded with a Freeze Bullet, and his lower body is now frozen up till his upper arm.

"The hell is this!"

"Isn't it wrong to lay your hands on a woman?"

"Huh? Who the fiak are you?"

"Ryouta-san!"

Elza who was about to cry, was saved by me and looked up and called my name.

"Oi, did you see that?"

"Did he just instantly freeze him? Was that magic?"

"He didn't even chant, was it chantless?"

"Even with chantless magic, to deal such damage. Wait a minute, I didn't even feel any sense of magic being used too."

"But there's clearly magic being used."

The rest of the customers are being rowdy.

Since I don't have the time to think, I showed my face.

Then, our faces met.

The man whose body is half-frozen is looking at me with bloodshot eyes.

“You asshole, what are you trying to do.”

“I’m familiar with this store, they would not simply miscalculated something as simple as that.”

“How would bastards like you know?”

I pushed my Magic Cart towards Elza, and talked to her.

“The item is... green onions huh. How much is the price?”

“Etto, Eto eto.....”

After hearing the price from the flustered Elza, I set the Magic Cart, and placed the green onion inside the Magic Cart.

I put in one by one. At first, the man and Elza, and the rest of the customers did not understand what I was doing.

“Right, I understand. It’s one of the Magic Cart’s function.”

“Placing items inside can calculate the amount, that’s convenient.”

“This is the first time I’ve seen such function, where did he get it from?”

While the noisy customers began to understand it’s function, I placed the last green onion inside.

The total is, 9120 Piro.

I showed it to the man, and said.

“The total shows this though?”

“That’s bullshit! It’s just misleading!”

“Can everyone see the total and tell me how much is it?”

“Eh, shut your babbling mouth!” The man raised his voice, while veins are popping out of his forehead.

“Fun!”

The man used his strength, and broke the ice off.

Not just that, his body has also bulged up, almost doubling his initial size.

Muscle.

His appearance looks like a monster where 80 to 100% of his body seems to be bulging with muscles.

“You keep meddling with me, I won’t forgive you!”

The man threw his fists at me.

Buoooon!

I then caught hold of his punch.

The ground shook, and broke even further, but I did not budge at all.

“Wha, what the!?”

“Fuu!”

Still in the counter, I used my whole body and throw a left hook at him.

The body of the man bends into a “<” shape and flew away, crashing onto the ground.

His eyes went blank, and bubbly foams were gushing out from his mouth.

“Oi oi... He just defeated him in one blow.”

“Did he not use magic at all?”

“That guy even power up his body to that extent... Is he better than that guy...?”

The surrounding crowds became livelier, ignoring them, I went straight to Elza and tried to appease her.



In the end, the guy was caught by the police-like people and was dragged outside.

Though I also destroyed some property within the shop, instead of being accused together with that guy, I was instead praised.

As for the business—it resumed back to normal after the incident.

After all that's happened, I'm currently standing outside the shop with Elza.

“Thank you so much.”

“Don't mind, it's natural that someone would do it too.”

“Seriously, thank you very much.”

Elza looked me in the eyes.

While being enchanted, her eyes were moist.

I'm slightly uncomfortable, as I'm not used to these sorts of situation.

Since I don't know what to do in these kinds of situation, I—should escape.

“If you're okay then it's fine, well then, I'll come back here once I collected some carrots.”

“Yes...”

I then push my Magic Cart when suddenly, Futo, when I was pushing my Magic Cart something unexpected happen.

“Oh right, I——” “Uhm——”

I turned back, and looked at Elza who tried to speak.

We cross with each other——Chyuu~

A wet sound was heard, and I felt a warm and soft feeling.

..... Kiss?

I finally realized what was happening after 10 seconds have passed.

I was taken aback and moved back a bit, there, Elza's face was bright red while holding her mouth.

"I, I'm sooooooo soooooorrrryyy! I didn't mean it that way"

I panicked whilst trying to explain myself.

This is bad, this is really bad.

This incident of taking her lips, this is unforgivable.

"This incident—Wait it's not like that, I'm so sorry. If it's within my capability I can do—"

She's desperately trying to explain herself. But

Chyuu.

"...Eh."

I felt a wet, and a warm feeling

A Kiss.

Elza gave me a kiss.

"Eh, Elza?"

"It wasn't an accident."

"Eh?"

"I don't want it to be an accident."

"Th, this is..."

“Because it’s Ryouta-san that’s why I did it.”

When she said this, her face became even redder than before. She touched her lips, and ran back inside the store.

Before realizing what just happened, I stood there dazed.

CHAPTER 22

A BATTLE BETWEEN S AND A

For my morning daily routine, I'm leisurely jogging my way to Nihonium's Dungeon.

Since there is a Know-It-All Board at the entrance of the dungeon, I decided to check my status.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 1/1

HP: S

MP: F

Strength: S

Endurance: F

Intelligence F

Mentality F

Speed: F

Dexterity: F

Luck: F

Same as ever, my level is stuck at 1.

Though my HP was raised up to S due to hunting at the first floor, and my Strength was also raised up to S when hunting at the second floor.

Thus, I will be heading to the third floor today.

As for the Skeleton and the Zombies spawning at the first and second floor, I'll deal with it for now.

Although they randomly appear from within the wall, surprising me sometimes, but it's rather useless as I can deal with them, and thus, I arrived at the third floor.

The atmosphere on this floor is similar to the ones above.

All of them looked like natural dimly lit caves.

Suddenly, I've encountered with a monster!

The ground suddenly broke apart and there crawled up a monster with it's whole body being bandaged.

The size isn't that far off from a human, if I were to compare it with a human–It might be the same size as a Pro Wrestler.

It's a Mira man, or more like calling it a Mummy monster is more appropriate.

I was sort of relieved.

Since this dungeon's first floor is a Skeleton, and the second floor is a Zombie.

Each and every dungeon in this world tend to follow a specific feature.

It's the same even in this dungeon, where all the monsters are undead just like this mummy.

I'm truly relieved that it follows a system.

After feeling relieved, I quickly make my decision.

I took out my gun and shoot at the mummy who is closing in on me.

Since it's an easy target, I was able to accurately shoot it but—I was only able to stagger it and it continue to move closer towards me.

I panicked a little and rapidly fired at it, after firing all my magazine on it's head, it fell down and I was able to defeat it.

Looks like I used up around 10 bullets to defeat it.

While having a bit of a cold sweat dripping down above my forehead, the monster vanished and dropped the *familiar item*.

Since it's been proven that Nihonium Dungeon does not drop anything at all, but that's because nobody has a "S Drop" like me, thus I was able to get a drop from these monsters.

The drop is of course a seed.

I immediately pick it up, and it disappears from the palm of my hand.

—Speed is up by 1.

Just like before, I sigh in relief.

It seems like the third floor of Nihonium drops a speed up seed.

After realizing this, my tension increased.

Thus, I was searching around for mummies.

“Uo!”

A mummy surprised attack me.

The wall suddenly collapsed beside me! And it's chasing after me.

Time to oppose it.

I placed the muzzle of my gun right on the center of it's body and relentlessly shot at it.

Pan, pan, pan, pan, pan!

Even though I've bombarded it with bullets, it doesn't seem to work.

I put down my gun and took a step back, and knock it with a roundhouse kick.

The body of the mummy turned into a “<” shape... And the body was torn from the waist splitting it into two pieces.

The mummy finally fall to the ground, and a seed dropped.

After picking it up, I was currently thinking of something.

Compare to the floors above, the usage of guns here is ineffective.

I feel that hands on combat with my S strength is way more effective.

I also think that using the gun to feint these monsters is even better.

In comparison with the first floor, the third floor is the complete opposite from the first floor as whacking the monsters in the third floor is way more efficient.

After confirming, I lightly clenched my fist and continued looking around for mummies to whack.

Hunting here is more tiring compare to the floors above, but I still managed to defeat some till afternoon come, thus I was only able to increase my Speed from F to E.



Afterwards, I returned to the city of Shikuro, where I arrived at a store named <Hollow Hollow>.

The store seems to be a Public Dining Area, and the customers are mostly adventurers.

The store is packed with various kinds of adventurers.

After finding a place to sit, I ordered some snacks.

Today, I'm meeting Emily at this place.

During my daily morning routine, I didn't bring along my Magic Cart into Nihonium when hunting, instead, I entrust it to Emily who is splitting rocks in Arsenic while collecting a ton of flowers.

Since the flowers come in large quantities, it can be cramped closely together, earning Emily some big bucks.

How much Emily is going to earn, I'm thrilled to find out.

After a while, a shadow was blocking my view.

“Emily.”

I move my head up, thinking she came, but.

“Yo, you’re Satou Ryouta right?”

It wasn’t Emily.

Instead, it was a man in his twenties with a delicate feature. He looks like an idol with an “ikemen” face while having a sweet smile on his face. That was my impression of this guy.

The guy then went ahead and sit beside me.

“Is this seat fine.”

“It’s troubling that you’re implying that after only sitting down. What’s more, there’s so many other seats, why there?”

“I have some business with you. Haven’t I called your name just a moment ago?”

“Now that you mention...”

It’s true that he indeed called my name.

I then looked at him again.

“What’s your name?”

“A friendly person name Ne-kun, that’s my name~ I don’t mind you calling me that.”

Eh.....

Somehow I have no idea what he’s saying.

“Then I won’t refrain. Moreover what things do you want to discuss about?”

“Yeap. By the way, you have a nice body.”

“Are you *those* type of people?!”

I fell down from my seat and immediately stood back up.

I want to run away from this place with all my might.

"Ahaha. You're wrong. I'm not homo okay. A lot of people misunderstood about me but I'm straight okay."

"Wh, what proof do you have?"

I realized that I've asked a strange question, but I asked it because my danger perception is kicking in.

"Riru, Ran."

The delicate guy called out two names from behind, and two girls approach him.

One of the two girls is a fascinating beauty that looks slightly older than the delicate guy, on the other hand, the other one looks like a beautiful girl who is around 10 years old.

The former looks like an elder sister character, whereas the latter looks like a little sister character.

"What is it. Is it over already?"

"Can we go back?"

"Ahaha. That's not it. This guy thinks that I'm interested on the same sex."

"Aah, so that's it---"

Chyuu.

"Even though that's not the case."

Chyuu.

Both Riru and Ran, went ahead and kiss the guy.

Though it's just a light kiss, it's just like how couples kiss.

That is---after confirming the misunderstanding, the two of them left, and went back

to their former seats.

"Those two are my partners, both publicly and privately."

"Oh, oh..."

"Hence why I'm not homo. Is that a sufficient proof for you?"

"Ah, aah... I guess so."

More like people who makes harem around can explode, was what I thought but I was sort of relief that he isn't what I thought he is.

"Well, what business do you have with me?"

"Un, I wish to touch both of your arms."

"I knew you're one of *those*!!!"

My chair fell down, and I immediately stood up wanting to run away again.

"Like I said, you're mistaken. Hmm, okay. Then let's have an arm wrestling~"

"Arm wrestling? Why?"

"I've heard from yesterday's rumours. It seems that you've punch that big guy once till he flew."

"....."

Once again, I was relieved. I have misunderstood him again.

I've turned back to normal. And became serious, I hope.

"I'm interested in your Strength—I mean power. I want to confirm whether the rumors are real or not."

"...Right, I see."

"Well, you up?"

“Okay, I understand.”

“Thank you.”

The guy then lift his right arm up the table, and rest his elbow there.

I did the same, and rest my elbow there, and caught hold of his hand.

“Well then.”

“Aah.”

“Ready... GO!”

We both released our strength in order.

Wow, such strength. With this strength, I guess he really isn't homo, but I really don't want to link my hands with him so I really want to end it fast, but it won't end.

Both our elbows are shaking violently, our strength is evenly matched.

I guess I should get more serious.

I hold onto the side of the table with my left hand, and released my full strength.

The balance broke, and his arm is slowly being pushed down by me, and finally his entire hand was bend down to the table.

I guess it's my win.

“Eeeeeeeeh!? Ne-kun lost.”

“So weak, this is what happens if you neglect leveling up. I hope that this will give you a good lesson.”

“But but, this is the first time that I've seen someone beating Ne-kun's strength.”

“The higher level beats the lower level. That just means that his level is higher than him.”

Both the girls are currently gossiping behind his back.

Both of them—I understood their reaction especially the mature girl.

The current me, has his strength upped to S.

Though I have to use my full strength in order to win in this arm wrestling.

If I'm not wrong, his strength must be A.

“Ahaha, I’ve lost. You’re strong eh.”

“You too.”

The guy with A in Strength, I was secretly vigilant of him.

I wasn’t being vigilant of him because his homo, but normally wary of him.

Afterwards, I looked at him.

As I was staring at him—it seems he realized and gaze back at me while smiling.

“What gives, it seems you boys have finished. Well then, do you want me to teach you the real method in arm wrestling?”

From the side came a middle-aged man.

He looks like a rugged Pro Wrestler from overseas.

Then, he took a chair and sit next to us, and bring his arm on top of the table as if wanting to arm wrestle.

Another guy suddenly appeared.

He seems to be a normal young man with no special features.

He is currently stopping the middle-aged man.

“O, oi, stop it.”

“What, I’m just teaching this guy a lesson about the severity of this world, like the bean sprouts.”

“That’s not it, don’t you know that this guy is Nep—”

“I got it.”

While smiling, the delicate guy fixed his seat and hold onto the guys hand.

The thickness of his arm, is roughly three times the size of the delicate guy.

Compare to the delicate guy, his arm is refined and outstanding.

“Then, please give the signal.”

“No wait—”

“Please.”

The delicate guy said it twice, and the young man sigh.

“Then, on your mark, go!”

“Gahahahaha, Oh, please be gentle with—”

Pan!

A terrible sound was heard, it’s like something was slammed on the table.

It’s the big guy’s arm.

The big guy’s arm was instantly bent into a direction which shouldn’t be possible to bend.

“—Ugyaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!””

The big guy screamed while the young man was rubbing his temple.

“I’ve already warned him. I’m sorry, you’re Neptune-san right. I apologize for this stupid guy’s mistake, please forgive him with just his arms.”

The young man then bowed down in a 90 degree angle.

The delicate man—called Neptune is still casually smiling.

“What are you saying? I was just forced to play arm wrestling. Other than that, nothing else has happened?”

“Thank you very much.”

The young man bowed down again, and dragged the big guy outside of the store.

I guess he's heading out to treat that guy's wound.

“Did he just say Neptune?”

“Are you stupid or something, to only realise right now. Didn't you see Princess Riru and Princess Ran, no matter how you look at it, they are from the Neptune family.”

“This is the first time I've seen them in real life.”

“Wait a minute, then who's that person who just won Neptune in an arm wrestle?”

“One things for sure... they are both monsters.”

Even in the afternoon, the store is being rowdy.

Neptune... It feels like I've heard of this name somewhere before.

Of course it's not the Ocean God or something along the lines.

Since I'm still new to this world, I've not known any famous people where others would say “Wow, isn't he/she awesome”.

Though thinking about it, I guess he is in that category.

“Hey, care to go for another round of arm wrestling?”

“...Let's stop for now, I don't want to gather more attention than that.”

“Ehh~, it can't be help then. I understand, Riru, Ran.”

Neptune then called the two girls out.

I thought— that they were trying to leave.

The air around us suddenly changed, and at that moment, the world suddenly became slow motion.

Bad, this is bad, though I cannot recognize what is wrong but I know it's real bad.

I reflexively pull out a punch.

With my S Strength, I punch with all my might.

Do—n!

An explosion sound was head, and shockwave are spreading around.

The table between us was caught up with the shockwave and was broken into small frgments.

I was staggering, but I managed somehow.

“What are you doing.”

“You’re good.”

Neptune’s arm was there, and he put it down.

It became tattered and bloody.

I finally understand what was going on, it seems that I had a one on one punch with Neptune.

I was shocked while looking at my own hands. My fist is bright red while trembling, even the roots hurts.

The feeling is similar to when I used my whole strength to punch a Punching Machine.

Though, it feels like nothing severe happened.

The surrounding became even noisier,

“Neptune-san was.....”

“Oi, Does this mean he seriously lost?”

“Who in the world is that guy.....”

In a far distance, the surrounding people with frightened face are looking at us---more like specifically staring at me.

On the other hand, Neptune is seriously hurt.

The elder sister—called Riru is currently healing his tattered arm with magic.

“You’re good, eh.”

“.....What”

“You, would you like to be my *thing*? ”

“I knew it, you’re indeed homo!”

I seem to be dragged into his none hostile words involuntarily.

CHAPTER 23

EFFICIENCY UP

The inside of the shop is getting rowdy.

“Oi, are you kidding me?”

“Isn’t it 3 years ago where the Neptune family last solicit someone?”

“What’s more it’s the leader who personally came to ask.”

They were all being noisy everywhere, while being extremely shocked.

Some of them are even watching over here while breathing restlessly.

Was it really that big of a deal?

“Ne, so how about it?”

“I’m sorry but I won’t take you up on your offer.”

“I see. That’s a pity. Oh, just to be sure, you did not reject me just because you think I’m homo right. If that’s what you’re worried than don’t worry about it as you will be safe when you join us.”

“It’s not it, that’s not the reason why.”

I firmly shook my head.

It’s not because you’re homo—Nope, that’s not the reason.

That’s not the point, it’s just that I don’t feel like being in an organization for the time being.

When I arrived at this world, I felt really relaxed.

Compare to my previous hellish work life, I can live freely—more like literally enjoying this freelance work.

I do not know how the Neptune family operates, but I don't plan on joining any organization for now.

"Un, I understand."

Neptune looked at me for a moment, and he nodded but I feel that it's a little bit off.

"If at any moment you changed your mind, please do come find me okay. At this point, I've already treated you as one of my dear friends."

In the end he dare not force me but left with words saying he wouldn't give up. Thus, he brought the two beauties and left the shop.

The words that Neptune left behind, made the surrounding people even more chattering.

After that, I finally remembered where I heard their names from, though it's rather late. From what I heard of the Neptune family, it seems that all 5 of their team has Drop rate of A, and they were the so-called Elite who went into Nihonium to do some investigation on the drops.

Though it was mentioned before, I'd completely forgotten all about it.



Teruru's first floor.

Afterwards I met up with Emily to received my Magic Cart, and we went out of the slightly uncomfortable store, and went ahead to the dungeon.

Un, let's calm down.

Since something like that had happened, I decided to dive into the dungeon and calm myself.

I took a deep breath, and take in the air of the dungeon that I'm familiar with.

Okay, it is time to hunt!

I quickly met with a Slime.

I took out my gun and pulled the trigger—and then I looked at the Magic Cart that I was pushing, I then stop moving.

Something crossed my mind.

“...Un, if this happens then my hunting efficiency will definitely increase.”

I nodded while mumbling.

I decided to try out something that's been in my mind.

I hold on to my gun, and flew towards the Slime.

I then used my palm and lifted the Slime up and threw it behind.

When the Slime was right on top of the Magic Cart—I pulled the trigger.

The slime was shot by the bullet.

The Slime popped in midair! And it dropped bean sprout.

The bean sprouts fell down just like that, right into the Magic Cart.

It's a success.

I then immediately search for another Slime, and lift it, then fling it behind me, and shoot it when it's right above the Magic Cart.

The bean sprouts then fell down right into the Magic Cart.

Again I find another Slime.

This time I wasn't able to accurately shoot it and only grazed the Slime.

Thus I stretch my hand and grab hold of it, and attack it while grabbing it.

Then the bean sprout was put into the Magic Cart.

It's working out.

First defeat the monsters on top of the Magic Cart, then the drop will fall right into the Magic Cart.

Killing it when I instantly meet a monster! Though it does require more work to be done, but it really saves a lot of time instead of picking up the dropped item each time.



After exchanging the bean sprouts for cash, I immediately head back and dive into the second floor.

This time I'm thinking of improving the efficiency a tad bit.

First off, I will push the Magic Cart in front of me.

After reaching the second floor, I'm met with a Drowsy Slime, and it flew towards me

I "lock on" the target, and concentrated.

The moment the Drowsy Slime flies on top of the Magic Cart—I shoot!

The Drowsy Slime that was being shot by me, dropped a Carrot and it fell inside the Magic Cart.

Yoshi, it went well!

While pushing the cart forward, when it's the right moment, I shoot it and it goes in smoothly.

If it's like this I would have fewer steps, and it would be faster as I would not have to go in front and lift it up and throw it behind me.

I started to get the hang of this method.

Push the cart, when the monster jumps shoot it and the drops goes in.

Pushing the cart, and when the monster fly towards me shoot it at the right moment and the drop goes in.

While performing such action, it feels as though I'm pushing a trolley in a shopping

complex and rapidly buying stuff, but instead of buying stuff I'm shooting at the monsters while their drops naturally falls in place.

By doing this method, I've shorten about half an hour from previously to fill up the cart to it's brim.

Un, the efficiency did increase, if I continue doing this, earning money would be a piece of cake.

On that day, I continued pursuing the efficiency of Slime hunting at Teruru.

I can't believe it, I was able to make a total of 5 trips back and forth from Shikuro to the Dungeon with a full cart.

"This is the first time I've seen someone bringing such absurd amount a number of times in only half a day....." Elza said while becoming speechless.

CHAPTER 24

FREEZE AND FLAME BULLETS

While being at Nihonium in the morning, I reunited with a group that I'd encountered previously on the first floor.

The 4 gofer that has a supervisor ordering them, and the never-changing my-pace Princess Margaret that gives off a fluttery feeling.

Again with the Air Box, I guess it does sell well, as I was thinking about it I wanted to bypass them and head straight to the third floor, but.

I noticed that the box that they were carrying is different compared to last time.

The box that they were holding is a square shape box that is 30cm on all four sides. The only thing special about the box is that on one of the six sides of the box, one of it is in full white.

What a strange box, as I thought too myself. Thus, I went ahead and ask the guy that is supervising.

“Excuse me, but what is that box you’re holding?”

“Un? Ah, we’ve met before.”

Since the opposite remembers me, it will be easier to ask.

“This is, a tool that we bet our whole fortune on that is developed by our company, it is called a.”

It feels like when the guy is speaking, they are some lines coming out from the guy’s back.

But still, a Pandora Box eh, what a grandeur naming sense.

“So what does it do?”

“You’ve heard of a right.”

“Nope.”

“Oh, you don’t know. Then, have you heard of people who are particular about cleanliness (germaphobic) and would not eat things that are being touched by others or things that are being dropped in the dungeon?”

“...There must be people like that.”

Though I’ve never seen it in real life, but I’m pretty sure they are people who are like that.

“The is built for the sake of these people, when you activate this magic item, the drop that you get after defeating a monster will be sucked inside this box. If you were to do this then nobody will be touching your drop, or the drop would not fall on the ground.”

“Ah, I see.”

I was reminded of the method I’ve mastered yesterday.

It was the method of defeating the Slime on top of the Magic Cart and letting the drop automatically land inside the cart.

“Thinking of this as the base, our company has bet on a whopping 300 million Piro to develop this Pandora Box! Look at it!”

After the guy finished speaking, the “Air Hunt” begin.

A Skeleton appeared, and the 4 gofer weakened it, then finally Princess Margaret dealt the final blow.

Once the Skeleton vanished, the Pandora Box then sucked the drop inside.

Afterwards, the white surface had the princess face printed on it.

“Well, that’s the gist of it. Whoever defeats the monster and gets the drop, the face will be shown on the white surface.”

“It’s to display the Producer’s face huh.”

"Yeap. Cause once in a while, there are some people who doubt whether Princess Margaret is the one getting the air. If it's this then we can finally prove it."

"I, I see."

They really think this through.

"You're an adventurer right? I have a few Pandora Boxes around, I'll give these to you so please promote it to your friends okay."

After finishing his lines, the guy took out 5 Pandora Box and pushed it towards me.

I don't mind publicizing it for you, but I don't think it has any use for me.



I'm now at Nihonium's third floor beating up Mummies while collecting the Speed Seed.

Since there weren't any accident, I was able to continue through the entire morning, and managed to increase my Speed from E to D.

Since I've finish my daily routine of increasing my ability, I was thinking of heading out of the dungeon when I suddenly thought of an idea.

This Pandora Box, no wait Collection Box.

Is it possible to collect the seeds, and once collected, can I release it outside?

After having this idea, I immediately went back to the first floor.

The first floor is Skeletons, and they drop HP Seeds because of my unique skills.

If I can collect these seeds outside then the first person I want to give is my housemate Emily. If that's the case then I should get HP up first.

I activated the box, and defeat a Skeleton.

The seed was drop——and it was being sucked into the box!

This, this might actually work!

I was rejoicing, and filled up the box with HP seeds, and finally went out of Nihonium.



“I can’t take it...”

I met with Emily and took out the box right away, wanting to let her pick up the seeds, but it seems that she wasn’t able to take the seeds after all.

“I see...”

“As expected, Yoda-san is the only one who can pick it up nodesu.”

“I thought this might actually work. That’s why I brought these outside the dungeon to test.”

“It can’t be helped nodesu. I guess the seeds are designed specifically for Yoda-san to use nodesu.”

Emily wasn’t dejected.

I thought that I can help her MAX out her ability with this, but I guess it won’t go as planned.

“It’s too bad. So what am I gonna do with these.”

“The only way is to make these items rogue monsters. What was it that the Skeleton drop again?”

“It’s Freeze Bullets. Well, if I change my way of thinking and collect a chunk of Freeze Bullet then——”

I stopped talking. Wait a minute.

At that moment, something clicked in my head.

All this time, the only way I can get the Freeze Bullets is if I lure the Skeleton outside the dungeon and immediately defeat it.

Why is it that I go through all that trouble? Well that's because the moment I pick up the seeds, it immediately disappears. Thus I have to wait for the Skeleton to come out by itself to turn it into a rogue monster.

Though when someone else defeats it, it turns into air—Just to confirm air will not spawn rogue monsters.

Well, that is the reason why it's difficult to get Freeze Bullets.

But, with this whatever Pandora/Collection Box, I can use it to collect a huge sum of seeds.

While finish talking in my mind, I left the box at a far away distance, and left.

After waiting for a while, the box ruptured, and the seeds turned into rogue Skeletons all at once.

I hold onto my trusty gun, and rapidly fired away.

Defeating almost 50 Skeletons without letting them get away.

Afterwards, they all dropped Freeze Bullets.

Last time it was so hard to just get one of it, now all of a sudden I have 50 Freeze Bullets.

“Yoda-san is awesome desu~”

“No, not yet.”

“Eh?”

“If I can do this——”



After coming out of Nihonium Dungeon, I went to a secluded place and left the Pandora Box on the ground.

I left the place, and wait for it—then a huge amount of zombies were *hatched*.

Since I have surplus of it, I'm confident about using it.

I loaded a Freeze Bullet, and shoot at the ground where the 50 Zombies are, freezing half of their bodies, and then shoot their heads one by one.

Afterwards, what was dropped was different from the 50 Freeze Bullets.

I pick them up, and loaded one into my gun, and aimed at a nearby tree and fired.

At that exact moment, a Magic Circle appeared——and the tree was on fire!

The bullets that I got from the Zombies trapped inside the Pandora Box, was actually a Flame Bullet that shoots out fire.

At that moment, another possibility has been born from hunting in Nihonium.

CHAPTER 25

RELIEVING A DISASTER

On the outskirts of Shikuro, I'm currently working on quickly exchanging special bullets from the rogue monsters.

The reason is because I have received 5 Pandora Boxes from that group, and using those boxes, I stored them all with seeds, then went outside of the dungeon to find a secluded location to prepare hunting for rogue monsters.

Since the amount of seeds I collected using the boxes is incredible, I decided to do it one by one.

The first 2 boxes consists of Skeleton drops, and so I released them, and gotten a total of 100 Freeze Bullets after relentlessly firing.

The 3rd box consists of Zombies, this time I shot their heads one by one to defeat them, and finally got myself 50 Flame Bullets.

Then finally when I was about to take out the final box.

I felt a strange sensation piercing through my body.

I have never felt such strange sensation before, it's as if feeling a freezing coldness for a second, that was what I felt accompanied with the strange sensation.

What is this?

I looked around my surrounding nervously.

Somewhere in a distance, I saw Emily's small figure running towards me with a pitter patter sound.

"Ah, there you are Yoda-san."

"Emily. What's wrong?"

“Actually, a notice saying that a magical storm is going to happen nodesu. That’s why I came to inform you.”

“Magical Storm?”

“Yes desu. It’s because of this storm that the citizens in Shikuro could not use their magic powers. Although me and Yoda-san have nothing to worry about, but it’s better to inform you first.”

“Yeah but, what is this Magical Storm you’re talking about? I really don’t know about it so could you explain it to me.”

“Etto, I’m also not sure about it desu. The only thing certain is that we can’t use any magic around this time nodesu.”

“I see.”

When this Magical Storm arrives, magic is unusable.

Since I’m kinda curious about this phenomenon, I decided to hold onto the last box, and head back to town.



The easiest way to hear about stories, is by asking Elza about it.

Since Elza is about to finish her work, when I invited her out she became really happy about it.

We then decided to head to a Cafe, and listen to her.

“So it’s about Magical Storm.”

“Aah, I have no idea what it is so please explain from the start.”

“I got it! Please leave it to me!”

Elza smiled brightly, and pat her chest.

“So, about the Magical Storm, it’s a natural phenomenon that happens once in a while,

and when it arrives magic is unusable."

"Magic will be unusable?"

"Yes, it's impossible to use any magic. Sometimes, depending on the size of the scale, you can either use magic in the city, or you can't use magic, that's the difference."

"Usable... and unusable in the city. Wait, then even in the dungeon?"

Elza firmly nodded.

"Even inside the dungeon you completely cannot use magic. That's the reason why when the Magical Storm arrives, all Magician are forced to stay back and rest."

"Right, now I understand."

Since a Magician will not be able to do anything inside a dungeon if they can't even invoke magic.

In this world I've only seen pro wrestlers but rarely ever meet a Magician, though there are jobs like Monks who uses their iron fists to fight but, normally Magicians are typically regard as being weak physically.

I guess the knowledge that I know from games can be applied in this world too.

A Magician who cannot use magic, is even more useless than a tool.

"What's more, Shikuro would have some troubles."

"Why so?"

"Do you know of a dungeon called Silicon? The monsters over there are resistant against physical attack, but are really weak against magic attack. That's why Magicians tend to head over there to hunt."

"Oh I see, so if this Magical Storm were to arrive, then the product in Silicon will come to a halt."

"Precisely. Since Silicon mainly drops greens, the prices for vegetables will certainly rise. Well, at least we know about it the day before, so if we get used to it then it won't

really influence us that much."

It's like a typhoon, as I was thinking.

Though, I kinda understand based on the conversation.

If such natural phenomenon were to happen, than this world would be influenced by it.

What's more if a serious natural disaster were to happen, then a certain production like the high physical resistance monster in Silicon will decrease drastically.

Although it's about magic so it has nothing to do with me, but it's better knowing than being ignorant about it. Since I've gotten enough knowledge, I wanted to end the conversation.

"Eh? I'm sorry Ryouta-san."

Elza stood up from her seat, and walked straight towards the exit of the store.

After following the direction of Elza walking out, she is now talking to a guy.

The guy is wearing a rather Magician-like robe, while holding onto a Magic Cane.

"Elza-san!"

"What's wrong Raze-san, being so perplexed."

"Roza has been left behind in Silicon!"

The guy's face named Raze is getting pale, and is currently asking for help.



Apparently, Roza is Raze's partner.

They are both Magic users, they've recently come here from a different town, and they heard that the place Silicon is a haven for magic users and thought of settling in Shikuro for that.

On that day, they were heading to Silicon as per usual.

Raze wanted to sell the drops so he went ahead to town first but, suddenly the Magical Storm occurred.

In most cases, magic users would've gotten the information a few days back about the Magical Storm occurring, but the two who had just recently arrived at Shikuro did not catch the news, and Roza was the only one who dive deep into the dungeon when the Magical Storm occurred.

In the end, the dungeon where magic is unusable, she as a magic user is left behind.



“Such tragedy.”

While listening to Elza and Raze conversing, another voice was heard from beside me.

A person that might be homo, it's Neptune.

“You just suddenly appeared outta nowhere, don't scare me like that.”

“Isn't it about time that you were to become my *thing*.”

“Your sentences are weird as usual! Wait this is not the time for it.”

I look back at Raze's direction.

“That, to be honest, we can't do anything about it.”

“You're gonna put it off that easily?”

“When the Magical Storm arrives, even I wouldn't want to get close to Silicon. Even the weakest monster over there, for me, it took me about 10 minutes to actually defeat it.”

“...Even if it's you.”

I can confirm that Neptune is indeed strong, since we had a bout recently at the bar.

Even someone like him needs around 10 minutes for 1 monster... It is one punishing

dungeon for people who uses physical attacks.

"Thus, my condolences for them. Well, because it's an adventurer who dived into a dungeon and fights monsters, this is just a daily occurrence."

Neptune said quietly, well I guess it is true.

The guest in the cafe, even the passersby outside the cafe.

Half of them had a pitiful expression, and were saying things like "it can't be help".

Adventurer who wants to delve into the dungeon, they must bet their lives to get the product at all costs.

This was what I felt.

This is something common in this world huh, as I thought so to myself.



Though what I think and whether I accept it is two different story.

After asking for the place, I arrived at Silicon Dungeon.

My objective is obviously, to rescue the Magic User Roza.

I took a deep breath, and went in.

"If I'm not mistaken, she's at the third floor."

After hearing the necessary information from Raze, I continue moving forward.

Silicon is a cave-like dungeon, natural soil walls are spreading everywhere.

Then, I immediately encountered a monster!

The shape is like a caterpillar, and the size is similar to a tissue box.

As I was thinking that is not that big—but caterpillar isn't suppose to be that huge.

It depends on how you look at it, though I don't have the time to think of such stuff.

Thus, I thought of ignoring it and move past it.

Though, it did not allow me to escape from behind.

While I went behind it and continue moving onwards, it suddenly wiggle towards me, and flew straight at me!

I immediately counter attacked it.

I strike a blow using my whole body with my S Strength.

It has no effect.

Though I punched it and it flew and crashed into a wall, but it got up just fine.

"Even though I used my full strength, it looks like I did no damage at all."

I guess it being highly resistant to physical damage is true after all.

Since I can't deal with it smoothly, I guess I have to somehow defeat it.

I took out my gun and hold onto it steadily, and fired my normal bullet.

Though it's just a mere caterpillar, it repelled the bullet.

A normal bullet won't work too huh, what should I do?

Oh, I remembered that magic formation will appear when I fire the freeze and flame bullets.

I load up the Flame bullet, and flew towards the caterpillar and shot.

A magic formation appeared in the middle of it, and the caterpillar was burned up.

After burning awhile it fell onto the ground, wiggled a bit and stopped moving.

Afterwards, it dropped an item.

It's greens from Silicon, seems like defeating a caterpillar drops cabbage.

I pick it up, and continued onward.

Seems like the special bullets are effective.

I thought that the magic would not work because of the influence of the Magical Storm, but I guess the special bullets work because it's considered a magic attack?

I was slightly relieved.

If it's me—No, only I can save her, was what I thought.

Using the two types of bullets, I defeated the monsters who are attacking me and move on.

Since the monsters were persistent, I can't escape from it, thus I have to attack it from the side.

Usually I would be happy to get the items to sell it for money, but I find it annoying right now.

Since I can't escape from them, I have no choice but to use either the Freeze Bullets or the Flame bullets to defeat all of them.

The second floor consists of a softball sized fly.

Though it is not considered huge, but in terms of a fly it's really big.

Punches or normal bullets seems to be ineffective against the fly, so I have to use the Freeze and Flame bullets again to defeat them.

For the record their drops were spinach, obviously I ignore.

I noticed something while reloading the bullets, the items that were being dropped by the monsters looks as though a guide leading the way.

I then freeze it with the Freeze Bullets.

Since it would be troublesome if they were to become rogue monsters.

I don't know whether freezing them would stop them from becoming rogue monsters, but I did it anyway.

The path completely became frozen in ice.

Eventually, the third floor.

Now it's a size of a three-year old toddler locust!

That's huge!

I used the Flame Bullets to defeat it, and Freeze it with the Freeze bullet.

Just so you know the drop is Chinese Cabbage.

I continued moving forward.

"Roza! Roza where are you!?"

Since I've already reached the third floor, I shouted her name.

While calling out her name, I walked around searching for her.

Occasionally locust would appear, and I would defeat it and freeze the dropped item.

Thus I thoroughly searched the third floor.

"Roza—There she is!"

I saw a female magic user in a slightly complicated place.

The girl has fallen on the ground, seems like she has lost consciousness.

Her breathing is rough, her chest is moving up and down—She's still alive!

Yoshi, time to bring this girl back up.

Was what I thought when a locust appear.

Let's defeat it, as I tried reaching for the Flame bullets—.

“I’m out of bullets!?”

I have no more Flame Bullets, and even Freeze Bullets.

Since along the way I’ve been spamming them, I’ve used up all of them.

The locust then flew towards us, it’s quite fast!

I hold on to it and threw it away, then loaded the normal bullets and repeatedly fired at it.

Though, that didn’t work.

Even with my S Strength and the normal bullets, it didn’t even leave a scratch.

Plus it’s freaking fast!

I am currently at a lost as to what should I do while letting it eat my attacks!

I’m hitting it with heavy blows like when I’m punching Slimes or Zombies.

Luckily my HP is at S so I can still hold on, but I can’t just do this forever.

Since there’s no way of defeating it, I continued firing the normal bullets.

I fired and fired and fired and fired, dodging its attack and fired again, after realizing it I’ve easily shot around 100 plus bullets, the surrounding is also being covered in smoke.

“Did I do it.”

Looks like, nope.

The smoke was blown away, and the locust flew towards me.

This is bad, what the hell should I do?

Should I just carry Roza and run away?

Since my HP is S, I can somehow carry her till the top floor?

Urgh, there's no point thinking about it, if I can't defeat it I should just run away!

After thinking so I step back from the locust, and ran straight to where Roza is.

I carry the unconscious girl, and ran for it.

“...Are you kidding me with this.”

The locust have increased in number.

There's a total of 5. It seems like they've surrounded us.

One is already bad enough, now there's 5?

This is... really freaking bad.

What should I do? Seriously what the heck should I do.

While desperately thinking of a way, a large crowd could be heard from a distance.

It's the presence of monsters, what's more in large crowds.

The number further increases!

Was what I thought but the one's coming are zombies.

Zombies? Why zombies though?

“Yoda-san!”

“Emily!?”

“I've brought the box that Yoda-san was carrying desu!”

“_____! Thank you!”

After realizing the circumstances I immediately jumped ahead of the locust that was in front of me, and went ahead to the rogue monsters that Emily has brought along and defeated them, changing them into Flame Bullets.

After defeating them it's time for the one behind me.

I loaded the Flame Bullets and defeated the locust, afterwards I cleaned up the remaining zombies.

I picked up the Flame Bullets, and together with Emily and Roza, the three of us escaped.

Along the way, fortunately I got the dropped from the rogue monsters, and I managed to survive at the dungeon with the few remaining Flame Bullets.



“Thank you so much! Thank you so much!”

“Thank you, You..... really are my saviour.....”

I was being thanked by Raze and Roza.

“It’s okay, first off please go to a hospital.”

“Yes! Let’s go Roza!”

“Un.....”

Raze then brought Roza away.

Both of them, before seeing them off to town, they kept turning back and thanked me.

I’m glad that I was able to rescue her, while sighing in relief.

CHAPTER 26

THE THIRD BULLET

After seeing Raze and Roza off from outside Silicon dungeon, I looked at Emily who was beside me and gave my gratitude.

“Thank you, you seem to know where I was huh.”

“I heard it from Elza-san when she passed the box to me desu. She said that Yoda-san will definitely come here and rescue them nodesu~”

“Oh, I see.”

I unintentionally let out a bitter smile.

Since I did not want any rogue monsters escaping from the Pandora Box if I left it around, I thought of letting Elza hold on to it but I guess she passed it to Emily.

I was thinking of slowly converting them to Flame Bullets afterwards.

But she came here and used it to help me.

After looking at her perceptiveness, I gave her lots of praise.

“Thank you Emily~”

“The pleasure is mine nanodesu~”

“Shall we find a place to grab a meal then. Since Emily had helped me lots, I want to treat you a to feast.”

“If it’s like that then let’s head back home. I’ve actually heard of a new recipe recently, and I want Yoda-san to be the first one to try it~”

“No but, it’s as thanks you know. If it’s thanks, shouldn’t we bring Emily to a place to eat instead of cooking by yourself?”

“That’s precisely why nanodesu~”

The end of her word sounded like a heart shape was placed there, while Emily portrayed joy with those beautiful smile.

She really is..... so adorable!

My chest felt warm after looking at her, thus I gave in and let her do whatever she wants.

“At least let me get a good sake before heading back home. I want one that lets me enjoy the taste of the food while sipping on it, any recommendations?”

“I heard that distilled liquor is a good match for it desu~”

“Yoshi, let’s buy a bottle for two then!”

“Yes desu!”

Following the flow, after a day’s work and some other stuff that happened, I can finally be with Emily and walked home together.



The next day, I want to head to Nihonium early in the morning, but it’s not to strengthen my abilities.

First off, I went to town to buy some common Collection Boxes.

Since the box is only ever used by people with special hobbies, 1 box cost 10k Piro which is weirdly expensive.

Though it’s not like I can’t buy it, and I even bought 6 boxes.

I first used the first 4 boxes, and used them to replenish my Freeze and Flame bullets for a total of 100 for both of them.

Since I’ve used up almost all of it yesterday, it is in need of replenishment.

As for the last 2 boxes, I went ahead to the third floor of Nihonium and hunted mummies to stored the Speed up seeds in the boxes, and thus I’d gotten hold of a hundred new special bullets.

The special bullets that I'd gotten from the mummy have a special effect, I ran some tests with it, and after finally understanding the effects of it noon came, thus I went back to Shikuro to meet up with Emily.



We went to the usual store called <The Swallows Repayment>, and together with Emily pushed the Magic Cart full of Dandelion.

Since Elza's counter is sort of empty, we went to her direction.

“Yo.”

“Aah, Ryouta-san... and also Emily-san.”

“Today as usual, I want you to help us with the dropped items.”

“Okay, please wait for a moment.”

Elza went towards the Magic Cart and took out the Dandelions, and started weighing them.

“By the way, I've heard of rumours regarding you, seems like during the Magical Storm, Ryouta-san went inside Silicon dungeon and rescued someone.”

“It's already become a rumour?”

“That is something praiseworthy.”

“Uh, really.”

I guess so.

Now that I think about it, yesterday's situation really put me on edge.

Inside a dungeon where magic cannot be used, I'd gotten myself surrounded by monsters with 100% (maybe) physical resistance. Thinking back at it really gives me the chill.

Afterwards I saved her, I guess it would become rumours.

“Her name was, Roza right. Is she alright?”

“To be honest... I heard that she isn’t in great condition.”

“What do you mean by that?”

“The Magical Storm this time around, seems to be strong enough that everyone in town could not use magic. Since Roza-san’s injuries are quite severe, it’s bad because no one can use recovery magic right now.”

“If that’s the case, why don’t they just bring her to another town?”

“That is..... her injuries are bad to the point where it’s best not to move her around...”

“I see.....”

“That’s why... even though this is something harsh, they said she can only bear with it until the Magical Storm subsides.”

“.....”

“Ah, I’m sorry for suddenly talking about such heavy subject. Etto, the calculations are done, in total it’s——”

“Where is Roza staying right now?”

“Eh? Wh, why?”

“Please tell me, where is she right now?”

I looked at Elza straight in the eyes.

Her face suddenly went bright red, and told me about it while being flustered.



I arrive at Shikuro’s biggest hospital.

According to Elza, Roza is currently staying in one of the rooms in this hospital.

I went inside the room, and there laid Roza on the bed with a painful expression, and laying beside her is Raze who is staring at her with dark circles beneath his eyes.

“Aah... You are yesterday’s...”

“It’s Satou Ryouta..... How’s her condition?”

“...As you can see it’s not great. The doctor said that if tonight passes, and the Magical Storm has not subsided.....”

“I understand.”

“Though we are waiting for a healer, but even though they arrive if the Magical Storm doesn’t subside..... Kuh! Why did this happen.”

Raze hit the wall. His fist then leak out blood.

Not just his fist but his lips are also bleeding. He’s sad to the point that he bit his lips.

I looked at Roza.

Her face full of pain is showing a lack of blood, and it’s as white as a paper.

Though tonight might not be the last, but is there anything we can do right now.

I then took out my gun, and positioned it.

“Wa, wait, what the hell are you doing!”

“I’ll end it quick.”

“Ending it quick——”

Since saying anything now is a waste of time, I shot at Roza.

The bullet went straight into the middle of her torso.

Immediately after, a bright white light is covering her body.

That was my last shot, out of all the hundreds I’d gotten, I wasted 99 of them to test

the effects of the special bullets from the rogue mummies.

The white light, it's a healing light.

Healing Bullets, was what I decided to name it after testing out the effects.

The painful expression of Roza, is slowly becoming calm, and her complexion seems to have recovered.

"Th, this is?"

"I guess with this it's fine. Though it's better to ask a doctor to check up on her."

"Yo, you saved her....."

Raze became relieved.

With this it's finally complete, seems that it's the same as when I saved her from Silicon.

"Thank you so much! Really really, thank you so much!"

Raze continuously thanked me before I left the hospital.

CHAPTER 27

COMMISSION OF SPECIALTY PRODUCT

The next morning, I dove into Nihonium's third floor.

The monsters roaming in this floor were the bandaged mummies, I somehow got a feeling that they're weak against fire.

I loaded the Flame Bullet, and went hunting for a mummy.

I immediately encountered one.

I then approached the macho mummy that was sticking out both it's hands, and fired it with the Flame Bullets.

At the center of it's body, a magical formation opened up, and the Mummy burned up.

Although it was in flames, it was still moving forward, one step, two-step, slowly inching it's way to me, and finally, it fell down to the ground.

After fidgeting for a while, it stopped moving, the body disappeared and a seed dropped.

I picked it up and +1 Speed get~

Un, this is good.

Since firing it with normal bullets didn't seem to be effective, and dealing with close quarters combat was somewhat dangerous and inefficient too.

But with this Flame Bullets, it's one shot one kill, plus it's safer.

Third floor of Nihonium, Mummy.

If I have this Flame bullets, I can finally defeat them at a safe distance.

After half a morning has passed, I've already increased my Speed to C.

Just so you know, even though I know that I'm not confirming it, but after increasing my Strength and HP to S, I kinda got a feel as to knowing when my stats would change, so I know for a fact that it's increased to C from D.

I collected seeds into the Collection Box(Pandora Box) for the remaining half of the morning.

Holding onto the box, I went looking for mummies, and defeated it with Flame Bullets.

Again holding onto the box, looking for more of 'dem mummies, and defeat it with Flame Bullets.

After countless repetition, I finally gotten 50 bullets that I can convert into Healing Bullets.



Afternoon came, I pushed the Magic Cart full of bean sprouts worth the usual 40k Piro to the <The Swallows of Repayment>.

I got exactly 40k Piro from Ena who did the calculating, then at the time I wanted to leave the shop to do some carrot hunting...

"Satou-san... Are you free right now?"

Ena suddenly called my name, she had a difficult expression as if wanting to tell me something.

Ena who gets along well with Elza, usually has a strong image who tease a friend playfully with a bright expression.

This is the first time she made that kind of facial expression, it's quite rare—and it piqued my interest.

"I have some things to discuss. We can't speak over here."

After saying that, she brought me outside the shop.

She brought me to the back of the shop where there's nobody around.

“To be honest..... my family, we run a Greengrocer.”

“I see.”

“The store is located in Shikuro, an Agricultural City, but its not making a profit. Though with many other grocery stores, and they all sell similar stuffs, it's difficult to attract customers.”

“Fumu fumu.”

“So uhmm..., I wonder if Satou-san had any eye-catching product that can be delivered regularly for our store to sell~”

She then looked at me with upturned eyes.

“Is it... not possible?”

“It's fine.”

I answered back.

I thought that I don't mind helping her out.



Teruru Dungeon, I'm currently inside the fifth floor.

In order to sell specialty product in her store, I had to come up with something that was never seen before.

While thinking that, I came to the fifth floor.

After walking for a while, a monster appeared.

It's a Slime, but it's not your average Slime.

There were several Slimes, one of the Slimes then suddenly swallowed the rest of the Slimes.

The Slime that swallowed the other slimes changed it's shape, the two Slimes look like

they were connecting to each other.

That two shaped slime then swallowed another Slime, and this time three Slimes were connected together.

Apparently, this Slime grows in number by eating up it's brethren.

There's something like this too in a game, while thinking so I took out my gun.

First off, let's try using the normal bullets.

I aimed at it carefully, and shot it's head.

The head that I shot exploded--but, the body then regrow another head.

Kintaro Ame—wait no, is this like a Daruma toy?

That was the image I come up with when looking at the Slime.

I guess using normal bullets here is inefficient.

I then swap it with the Flame Bullets.

I dodged the snake-like Slime that suddenly jumped towards me, after passing by each other I aimed at it and fired.

The slime was in flame.

The flaming daruma fell on the ground, and stopped moving.

Pon! A huge watermelon dropped.



I carried the watermelon out of the dungeon.

Ena who was waiting at the entrance immediately noticed my presence.

“Satou-san!”

“Here you go.”

“Thank you! This is... Satou-san’s...”

Ena was staring at the watermelon that I was holding.

“This is, rather normal.”

“Mu~”

“Ah, sorry. That’s not what I meant, etto, the taste is probably really delicious and juicy. Maybe it’s gonna be the same as Ryouta • Bamboo where the look is normal but—”

“Yeap, just like you said. That’s what’s important.”

“Eh?”

She looked at me, stupefied in amazement.

“Please wait for a moment. Lemme prepare some stuff first. Ah, in the mean time please check the taste for me.”

“Okay...”

While having a fox-like face, in order to bring *that*, I left it together with Ena behind.



Evening came, this time I brought Ena along to Teruru’s fifth floor.

Instead of explaining it to her, bringing her and actually showing her is way easier.

“How was the watermelon?”

“It was extremely delish! It’s the first time I ever taste such juicy and sweet watermelon! As expected, Satou-san is amazing!”

“I see, that means the product has no problems.”

“Un!”

“If that’s the case—”

Without completing my sentence a Slime appeared.

“Ah, it’s a Snake Slime.”

“The name is just as it is?”

“Yeap.”

“Yoshi, watch closely.”

I checked my surroundings carefully, I’m currently checking whether the Snake Slime that is conjoined with four other slimes is the only one around us, after confirming so, I bring Ena along.

I took out my gun, and leave an item on the ground.

The Snake Slime then flew towards me, I aimed at it and fired the Flame bullet.

I thought that maybe it won’t burn its whole body because of its length, but it’s burning up quite nicely, afterwards it fell on the ground and stopped moving.

Afterwards, the watermelon dropped on the floor—and was instantly sucked up.

It was sucked up into box that was on the ground—and you guessed it, it’s the Pandora Box.

“A Collection Box?”

“Nope, this is slightly different. A group of people modified it and it is called a Pandora Box.”

“Pandora Box? Ah, Satou-san’s face appeared.”

“As you can see, when I defeat a monster and its item dropped, the item is then sucked into the box and the face of the person who defeated the monster will appear on the box. If it’s this, wouldn’t it become a unique product?”

“.....Ah.”

Ena gasped.

“Satou-san’s... watermelon.”

She then took the Pandora Box with my face on it.

As she was looking at the box with the producer’s face, her eyes gradually began to shine brightly.



The next day, early morning, before going to the dungeon I dropped by at town.

After knowing the place in advance, I went to Ena’s family store.

The grocery store which had just opened in the morning was crowded with people.

All the customers, are currently looking at the front of the store displaying the Pandora Box which I brought for them.

“What is that box?”

“You don’t know? That is a box that Princess Margaret recently used as her new Air Box called Pandora Box. It is a mechanism used to know who the producer is when defeating a monster.”

“Heh, so this watermelon is produced by that guy. What was his name again, Ryouta • Satou—oh yeah the bamboo.”

“Wait a minute, if it’s Ryouta’s drop I want it!”

“No I will buy it first. If the bamboo is that delicious, this watermelon must be the same.”

The entrance of the store suddenly turned into a battlefield.

With the customers who are noisily trying to buy the watermelon, it attracted other customers who are interested in what’s going, further increasing the crowd.

Afterwards, it turned into an auction, and the crowd then attracted even more crowds

to come.

"Thank you so much Satou-san."

"Oh, it's Ena."

Out of nowhere Ena suddenly appeared beside me..... well, it is her home.

Her head is slightly facing down, while her eyes are looking at me while thanking me.

"Really, thank you so much."

"Your welcome."

After completing this request, toppled with a thank you, I'm twice as happy.

By the way.

The person who are selling the Pandora box with Princess Margaret's air in it, came and thank me too.

CHAPTER 28

STATS UP, RANK UP, AND STEP UP

In the morning, before heading into Nihonium, I went ahead and check my status from the Know-It-All board near the entrance of the dungeon.

---- 1 / 2 ----

Level: 1/1

HP: S

MP: F

Strength: S

Endurance: F

Intelligence: F

Mentality: F

Speed: C

Dexterity: F

Luck: F

As per usual, my level stayed the same, the only one that increased were the one that I leveled up using the seeds that dropped on this dungeon. Since the balance of my status was horrible, there's still a long journey ahead of me. Thus, I wanted to clear Nihonium's dungeon all the way to the ninth floor and get all my stats to S eventually, as I helplessly thought and awaited for that day to come.

So even though the balance is horrible as of now, but if I think of this as a means to nurture myself to get even stronger, then it would be way more fun that way.

Now that I think about it, even in games where you befriend/tame a monster, the maximum status that monster can go would still be far lower than your average player, thus in order to further increase their levels, one must have an item or some other stuff to increase their status further.

Thus, I thought of the *thing* that I have that helped me.

I turned the status to page two, and looked at the status displayed.

Vegetation S

Animal S

Mineral S

Magic S

Special Item S

What reflected on the display is the item drop stats.

They are all S from the stats, nothing's changed from before.

After confirming my status, I've gotten back my mood and dived right into the dungeon.

First is to the second floor.

Usually, one might think of going to the third floor first to gather the Speed Up seeds, but in order to be efficient on the third floor, I must first get the Flame Bullets that are dropped by the rogue monsters of the second floor. Hence why I'm heading to the second floor first.

By using the Collection Box, I dealt a headshot to those zombies that I encountered, and used the box to collect the seeds.

By the way, though the undead monsters in Nihonium dungeon love to do surprise attacks, I did not receive any damage today by them.

It's probably thanks to my Speed being increased to C, even though they suddenly appeared from the cracks of the walls, I'm able to dodge them and land on a safe distance, and calmly shoot them.

As always, I was able to experience the feeling of my skills increasing when going through a real battle.

Thus, after gathering enough Flame Bullets, I head down to the third floor and work my way in defeating the weak to flames mummy.

Before noon arrived, I managed to increase my Speed to B.



For some reason, I don't have the motivation on working anymore during the afternoon.

Since the weather is good, what's more the town isn't that crowded, I really want to take my time off for the rest of the day.

Having to head to Teruru's fourth floor and defeat some Bat Slimes to get some Bamboo Shoots, and head down to the fifth floor and defeat one Snake Slime and suck up the watermelon using the Pandora Box.

And finish the day by delivering the minimum requirement to people with whom I have a relationship. Was what I thought when.

"Ryouta-san, you've ever been down to Teruru until fifth floor only, right??"

"Un?"

After delivering the Bamboo Shoots, and confirming the cash I received.

Elza asked me faint-heartedly.

"I have though?"

"Then how about the other dungeons? How far have you dove for the other dungeons?"

"The rest? For Teruru it's until the fifth floor, for Nihonium it's the third floor, for Silicon it's also the third floor to save someone and for Arsenic it's only the first floor—
— Ah right, I once went into the tenth to save someone."

"Right, I see....."

"What's the matter?"

"Then, you haven't gotten your permit yet, right?"

"Permit?"

As I was wondering what's that, I looked back at Elza for answers.

Since I'm still new to this world and there are still many things I do not know of.

"You don't know? Anyone who wants to dive in any dungeon in Shikuro further pass the fifth dungeon, they need to have a permit."

"Is it something like a Permit Certificate? If I don't have that, it's bad?"

"Yes. Even though the dungeons in this world are generally for everyone to enter, but any dungeon after the fifth floor, the difficulty will spike up. Thus, any city who have dungeons must hold onto this policy. Since Shikuro is rather simple, you will need permission in order to go pass the fifth floor."

"How about the other cities?"

"Some cities have rules that if adventurers do not have their permit, they wouldn't be able to do trades, or if they are hurt when diving in the dungeon, the medical fees would triple, there are many more policies too."

"I understand now. It's better to have something to govern then having nothing at all."

This is rather interesting.

Since this world is a world where "All products are dropped from monsters in the dungeon", they are some interesting rules for diving into dungeons.

I then recall back when I was checking on my status during the morning.

Since my Drop Rate is all S, I want to venture into other cities instead of the Agricultural city of Shikuro.

"So then... I'm asking you."

"Un?"

While thinking about the various other cities, Elza brought me back to reality.

Again she timidly asked me in a somewhat apologetic attitude.

"If Ryouta-san doesn't have it yet, I kinda want you to obtain it. Um, well, if regulars who have permit are numerous then the store would also rank up."

"Aah, I get it."

I somehow understood what she's trying to say.

The permit becomes somewhat of a parameter in determining the strength of someone.

Since it's not affiliated with the adventurers, but to business owners, they seem to want to have them by their side.

What that means is if they are more adventurers having the permit, then the impression of the shop would increase.

Elza had her head downcast while looking at me.

It seems that she has an expression of feeling sorry for asking such thing.

Well, since I've been helped by Elza a lot when coming to this store.

"I got it, if there's anything I need to do please teach me."

After understanding the conversation, I answered back to her with only two sentence agreeing.



Receiving a map from Elza, I finally arrived at Shikuro's government office.

I went into the fabulous building that has various vegetable shapes, and following her explanation, I went down a floor.

What was there was a wide area of space.

Somehow, it reminded me of a shooting range when I went to Hawaii a long time ago.

There's only one counter, and there's a middle-aged man sitting behind the counter.

The guy listlessly spoke to me.

“.....What do you want.”

“Etto, I came here because I want to get a permit to dive further down into the sixth floor.”

“...What are your achievements?”

“I’m able to deliver watermelons at Teruru’s fifth floor.”

Following what Elza taught me to say, the listless guy finally stood up.

“...I’ll test you.”

“Test?”

“The test is..... If you can defeat a monster below the fifth floor then you pass.”

“That’s rather simple.”

“...Since it’s easy to gauge whether you have the necessary strength to get pass the fifth floor”

“That’s true.”

The monsters in the dungeon that drops item, are items that are used as products for this world.

The aim of diving into the dungeon for this world isn’t like in a game where you finish the first floor and are required to defeat a boss, what’s important in this world is about diving in everyday, and secure back the products

Thus simple is best, if you can prove that you can defeat the monster, then obviously you won’t have a problem in actually diving further.

“I understand, so I just have to dive into the sixth floor of Teruru dungeon and defeat a monster?”

“.....No, over here is fine.”

“Eh?”

While being perplexed, the guy already went ahead and prepare the necessary.

In the middle of the huge space, a melon was placed there.

.....I kinda know what's gonna happen.

The guy returned, and waited at a reasonable distance away from the melon.

The melon then transform into a rogue monster.

The slime has a sort of metallic colour on it.

“Lemme guess, is it a..... Metal Slime?”

“.....It's a Steel Slime, it's tough to even negate a knife.”

“I just have to defeat that right?”

“.....Yeah.”

“I got it.”

Leaving the guy, i moved forward.

The Steel Slime then jumped around.

It feels like there's no hostility, even after noticing me it didn't come and attack me.

Though I don't know why, I first tried hitting it.

Even though the Steel Slime was sent flying away——but it seems to not have taken any damage.

It's tough, even with my Strength being S, there's hardly any damage at all.

Well, since it was called “Metal Slime” I kinda expected it to be that tough.

Then, it's time to get serious.

I took out my gun, and loaded two bullets.

I then fired at the Steel Slime that is hopping around.

I fired at it in different intervals.

A magic formation appeared, and first a huge flame was emitted, then afterwards the place around it was frozen up.

I slowly approach it, and lightly jab it.

Clink.

The Steel Slime shattered into pieces.

By the way a bullet was dropped, but before the guy could see I quickly pick it up and store it away.

“...What was that just now?”

Though his expression never changed, he sounded shocked.

“It’s called Thermal Shock. It occurs when something is instantly heated up and cooled down, and a material is subjected to these conditions, will be weakened, even if it’s Steel.”

“.....I just learn something amazing.”

The guy was seriously impressed.

Even though it’s something common, but do they not know about it?

Well, it’s fine.

After safely obtaining the permit, I can finally dive into all of Shikuro’s dungeon up until the 10th floor, then I would have to get another permit again.

After leaving the office, I sigh in relief.

Freeze Bullet and Flame bullet, and also fatigue fracture.

I really really want another gun, as I helplessly thought.

CHAPTER 29

THE STRONGEST MANAGER AND A NEW WEAPON

I formed a plan.

In the morning, while having my breakfast in my sweet and warm home, I spoke to Emily.

“I’ll be leaving home for 2, no, maybe for around 3 days.”

“Where are you going?”

Emily tilted her head.

My eyes were feasting on the appearance of a 130cm girl wearing an apron, while giving me a sense of security similar to my previous family.

It really makes me want to push her luscious hair that is covering half her face while combing it gently behind, yes, it’s because I want to do it so I can’t help it.

Oh right, I have something important in hand.

“I am in need of some money, probably around 1.5Million Piro.”

“That much!?”

“Yeap. But, if I were to put in the effort of going through the dungeons that I know of, secure the products and trade it off respectively, this is how much I can earn in just three days.”

Though in that three days of earning that amount of money, I will not get a wink of sleep. Of course I omit from telling that to her.

Even though I did mention that I want to explore this world in a “my pace” way, I really need this money for my goal right now.

“So that’s the reason why you need to leave for 3 days.”

"That's right. Although I will not be at home, but I will be strictly inside Teruru's dungeon."

"I understand desu."

Emily easily agreed.

Though I feel somewhat troubled saying all these to her, I'm grateful--- that was what I thought.

"I will go with you too desu~"

"——Eh?"

"For 3 days, I will be helping Yoda-san out desu~"

Emily smiled sweetly, as if it's already been decided.



Teruru Dungeon, First floor.

A Slime appeared.

Leading it on top of the Magic Cart, I used the normal bullet to shoot at it and defeat it, then the dropped bean sprouts went inside the cart smoothly.

Repeating this process, I gathered around 40k Piro worth of bean sprouts.

"Then I'll carry it nodesu."

"Are you really sure?"

"Yes desu. I want to help Yoda-san nodesu."

After saying that, she lifted up all the bean sprouts from within the Magic Cart, and shoved it inside her rucksack.

"What are you doing?"

“There we go. Then I’ll bring this to exchange for money, Yoda-san can continue using the Magic Cart nodesu.”

“Wait, isn’t it heavy——”

“It’s okay nanodesu~”

While smiling brightly, she lifted the rucksack and carried it away.

The rucksack, that is stuffed with an abundance of bean sprouts, is being lifted up by the loli body of Emily, where you can hardly see her body anymore.

If you look at it from a different angle, it looks as though the rucksack is floating, while moving on its own.

Even so, Emily’s footsteps were vigilant.

The 130cm girl with a Strength of A that could lift up a 100 plus kilo hammer and spin it around like it’s a toy, as expected of her.

.....She came all the way here just to help me, I too, have to work hard.

I, who was left alone in the first floor, continued to push the Magic Cart around the vicinity.

Shooting the Slimes and defeating it, bean sprouts dropped.

Again defeating the Slimes by shooting at it, bean sprouts are dropped.

When it looks like I’ve collected enough of the bean sprouts, Emily returned.

“Thank you for waiting desu.”

“I’ve filled it up again.”

“I’ll carry it again for you nodesu.”

“I’m sorry. Oh, and I’m gonna hunt for carrots next.”

“Okay desu. I’ll head to the second floor after carrying these right desu?”

“I’m counting on you.”

After taking all the bean sprouts, I now went down to the second floor, and thus begin the harvesting of carrots from the Drowsy Slimes.

After some time of firing my gun relentlessly, I collected exactly 40k Piro worth of carrots.

Though I collected them, but.

“This is bad, looks like I’m running out of bullets.”

Another three more rounds and my normal bullets will be used up.

It’s true that even though I’m gonna run out of normal bullets, but I still have a ton left which are my Freeze Bullet, Flame Bullet, and my Healing Bullet. Oh, and also that special bullet.

But using them would be a waste of precious bullets.

It left me with no choice, although this is somewhat inefficient, but if it does the job then let’s just do it.

“Thanks for waiting nanodesu~”

“Emily.”

“Wow, you’ve gathered a lot of carrots, lemme carry it then desu.”

“Thank you, to rely on you. Oh by the way, for the next batch you can take it easy, as the efficiency will slightly drop.”

“Ah, if it’s that then it’s no problem nanodesu.”

“Eh?”

“Follow me together nodesu.”

Emily held my hand, and dragged me out of the dungeon.

Along the way I asked what's wrong, but Emily refused to answer.

She brought me to a secluded place——though Eve was there.

It's a weird girl who has a proud bunny ears and is wearing a bunny suit that has a high level of exposure.

"Thanks for waiting nanodesu."

"Carrot....."

"Yes desu."

Emily then took out one carrot from her rucksack, and handed it over to Eve.

"It is..... in fact Satou's carrot"

Eve, who received her beloved carrot, smiled.

"Aah..."

Afterwards she ran towards me out of nowhere.

Though looking at the corner, there are ten plus Slimes gathering over there.

It's as if Eve was a shepherd, leading her flock of Slimes over here.

"Rogue monsters?"

"I asked a favour from Eve-chan, I told her to guard the bean sprouts that turned into slimes."

"And the reward is the carrots, huh."

"Alright Yoda-san, it's time to collect some bullets nodesu~"

"_____"

I was surprised, but deeply moved.

For Emily, to grasp an understanding of how many bullets I have left, took a portion of the bean sprouts and turned them into rogue monsters, plus asking a favour from Eve to help safeguard it.

“I’ve said before that I’ll help Yoda-san with everything I can nodesu.”

“This is not the level of just helping anymore... But really, thank you!”

“You’re welcome nanodesu~”

Emily had an extremely embarrassed expression while her cheeks are dyed red. Carrying the 40k Piro worth of carrots, she went off like the wind.

If I succeeded in achieving my goal, I definitely have to give my gratitude towards her.

After getting the bullets that are dropped from the rogue monsters (thanks to Emily), I dive back into the dungeon again.



Defeating the monsters, collecting the drops, then letting Emily exchange them for money afterwards.

While defeating them, if my ammo were to run out then all I have to do is take one carrot to the top, pass it to Eve and replenish my ammos.

Thus, I wholeheartedly devoted myself in defeating the monsters.

Morning passed, and soon afternoon passed, then night came.

Continuing even at midnight, and the next morning, and then afternoon, and then night.

The night of the second day, Emily answered.

“We have reached our goal of gaining 1.5Million Piro nodesu.”

I can’t believe we have reached our goal a day early.

I then proceeded to praise Emily even more.



Using the 1.5 Million Piro, I bought one whole piece of Tuna.

As expected of a Tuna, you need such huge amount of money to buy one.

Midnight, outskirts of Shikuro.

I placed the Tuna on the floor where nobody can see and stare at it, soon my heartbeat began to increase.

It might be due to the fact that I stayed up all night, plus the moment I've been waiting for is in front of me, it caused my tension to rise.

Having all these, made my heart rate increased drastically.

Finally the Tuna is transforming into a rogue monster——and it became a Gorilla.

It was the Gorilla who once rampaged in town, with a size similar to a house.

“Yoda-san.”

“For this, I have to defeat it by myself.”

“Yes desu.”

Emily returned my answer with a bright smile.

While slowly approaching the Gorilla, I prepared my gun and bullets.

Previously, it was a tough battle, but now it's different.

The Gorilla seemed to have realised my presence. It swung its arms up, while opening its mouth, showing off its sharp teeth. It ran towards me with intimidating eyes.

I fired the bullets, first were the Freeze Bullet.

I aimed at all of it's surrounding sides, and the Gorilla was frozen up, leaving only the head.

“Raaaaawr!”

It roared extremely loudly. The roar had feelings of rage mixed in it, making one's spine grew cold. The roar was so loud that we can be practically tone-deaf.

Afterwards, I swapped the bullets, and climbed on it's frozen body.

“This is it.”

Reaching to it's head, and aim my gun on it's head at a point-blank range

I then proceeded to fire at it's head relentlessly. After emptying the bullets, I reloaded and fired again.

Finally, the Gorilla's head was blown away.

At the exact same time, the bottom half of the body disappeared.

Same as before, a gun and bullets—that would be my second gun, is dropped because of my Rank S Drop.

CHAPTER 30

INFINITE POSSIBILITIES

The next day, Nihonium Dungeon.

Today, I want to test out on using the gun in my hand, and the gun in my other hand at the same time.

For that purpose, in order to not run out of bullets and replenish them quickly, I brought together the Collection Box and came to Nihonium.

First off is the first floor, I was met with the usual Skeletons.

Since I was at a safe enough distance, I held onto my dual handguns, aimed at it carefully and fired.

Seeing that my fire power has increased because of an extra gun, the bone-like monster was hit by my bullets in various places, crumbling it apart.

Next, I went down to the second floor, and searched for a zombie.

As I have been hunting down here for a really long time, I sort of have a sense of feeling to pinpoint the exact location of where they are coming out and went straight there.

I keep a fair distance away from it, wanting to deal a series of headshot onto it, but miserably fail.

Different compare to the boney skeletons, the zombie had actual skin and meat attached to it, and when it took a few bullets from me, the body was seen dancing around.

Just like the actors you see in the movie, I felt like one of them and feel a sense of satisfaction.

Next is the third floor—was where I want to go to next when a zombie came with a surprise attack!

The zombie that suddenly popped out made a groaning “Uuu..... Aaaa” sound while grabbing hold onto my arms, so I tried to shake it off.

I then proceed to pick up the gun with my left hand, and used my right hand which was holding the gun and deal a head shot.

Though it was just a coincidence that I pick up the gun on my left.

“Gun=Kata, I felt refreshed just thinking about it.”

Similar to an old movie, there was a battle style where dual pistols and japanese martial arts were merged together, and having experienced it currently, made my tension go up.

After refreshing myself I venture down to the third floor, where the monsters are Mira Guy—I mean, a mummy with a tough body.

Since my normal bullets have very little effect on the mummies, I went ahead and prepared the Flame Bullet and Freeze Bullet.

While searching for it—I found one.

I positioned both my guns and pulled the trigger at the exact same time, as such, both types of bullets hit the center at the same time.

The mummy, full of bandages, was frozen and burned up at the same time. It was a really pleasant situation.

I am met with more mummies, and did the same combo---although...

I don't know whether it was by luck or by chance but, the bullets were hit during the middle of fire!

Right before the mummy's body, the Freeze and Flame bullets were activated.

Ki——n.

A noise similar to a weird mosquito noise was ringing on my ear.

Afterwards, I doubted what was in front of me.

The mummy's body was gouged out.

Being gouged out, I do not know if there is such parable.

What used to be the mummy's chest—*wasn't there* anymore when the two bullets collided.

It's as though you draw a picture of a mummy, and only using an eraser to rub off one part of it's body, that was what's happening right now.

It's like a feeling of gouging a part of a body out.

“What is going on.....”

The body disappeared, and I watched as the mummy dropped a Speed Up seed, and tried to understand what had happened.

Is it because the two bullets collided?



Arsenic Dungeon, the first floor.

While walking near Arsenic Dungeon, a rhythmic sound was heard.

Dokon, Dokon!

“Emily.”

“Yoda-san, why did you suddenly come here?”

“There's something I would like to try. And thought that the tough monsters here are the optimal test subjects.”

While saying I turned around and looked.

The monsters in Arsenic are rocks.

Even having your Strength as S, there are plenty of hard rock type monsters in this dungeon that are too troublesome to break.

“Something you want to try?”

“I’m sorry but I would be taking some of the monsters.”

Though we are partners, in this world where dungeon produces everything, monsters are like quasi-property.

I thought she would refuse but.

“Please go ahead, nanodesu.”

“Thanks. Huu...”

While breathing and concentrating, I took out my dual gun.

The monster..... I faced towards the Dante Rock and pulled both triggers at the same time.

The bullets that were fired out from my gun collided right before the monster.

The Freeze and Flame bullets, after hitting each other, *annihilated* an *entire* basketball size diameter.

The Dante Rock was like Tako Sensei being engulfed and in a shape of a moon. Immediately afterwards it disappeared and dropped a dandelion.

“That was awesome!”

Emily, who saw the whole process, was excited.

“What did you do desu? Is it a new drop desu?”

“Not really, the ones I used just now were the Flame and Freeze bullets, both from Nihonium’s first and second floor respectively. And when the two of them are fired together and collide, you can imagine what happened—just now.”

“So that’s how it happened nodesu...”

“The Freeze and Flame bullets... when together it’s an Annihilation Bullet, I guess.”

“Annihilation Bullet... That is amazing desu, so cool desu~”

While Emily was being excited, I tried testing again.

I shot the two guns at the same time.

One time I failed to hit it together and the Dante Rock was frozen and burned at the same time, but sometimes I succeed and the annihilation happened.

This combo technique takes an empty space of several tens of centimeters and happened on the center of the bumped place.

Though I still have much to practice and getting used to, this combo is indeed powerful, as I thought so.

Getting another gun, with a price of 1.5 Million Piro was—.

“Is the combination just the Freeze and Flame bullets nanodesu?”

“—Eh?”

“Etto, you have other two types of bullets right? What if you tried combining them together and try too?”

“.....”

I was dumbfounded.

I felt stupid for just stopping with just that and never thinking of other ideas.

I loaded a different bullet.

This time it's—both the same bullets.

I loaded both of them with normal bullets, and fired.

I fired and fired and continuously fired.

Most of them were missed shots, what hit were just being repelled with a spark on the hard body of the Dante Rock.

While firing one of it collided.

A normal bullet with another normal bullet bumped into each other—suddenly became one bullet, and penetrated the Dante Rock.

I thought it would just repel the bullet away, but it went through it like someone drilling a hole in the middle of a rock.

“Amazing, it was penetrated nodesu.”

“Aah, it is indeed amazing...”

Looking at the monster that disappeared, I stare back at my guns.

I’m still not used to it, it might take some time mastering this.

If two bullets were fused, the possibility of it are endless. Obtaining another gun brought the possibility of fusing bullets, infinitely equal.

Now, I am convinced that it is worth much more than 1.5 Million Piro.



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